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MWC is First in Virginia, 12th in the Nation

Dear Friends,

I am delighted to report that *Money* magazine's September issue, "Your Best College Buys Now," lists Mary Washington College **first** in Virginia and 12th in the nation. Each and every member of the MWC team is to be congratulated for this accomplishment. Certainly, the generous support of our alumni and friends contributes in a significant way to the value offered by Mary Washington College.

The chart shows Mary Washington's lead among Virginia schools in the 1998 national rankings of the top 100 four-year undergraduate colleges and universities. To rank America's best buys, *Money* analyzed 16 measures of educational quality at 1,115 colleges, including entrance exam results, class rank, faculty resources and quality, library resources, instructional and student services budgets, retention and graduation rates, and graduates who earn doctoral degrees.

It is gratifying to see Mary Washington recognized nationally for its academic excellence in higher education, not only as a reward for the hard work of our dedicated team, but also because the positive publicity will generate further success in the future, attracting an increasingly talented pool of applicants. Each year the entering class boasts more impressive SAT scores and grade point averages, and as the College becomes more selective academically, the level of instruction increases accordingly so that Mary Washington continues to grow in quality year after year.

With great appreciation for your continuing support, I am

Sincerely,

William M. Anderson, Jr.
President

RANKINGS IN *MONEY'S COLLEGE GUIDE '98*
Top 100 Schools Nationally

Institution	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992
MWC	12	22	28	39	32	30	23
JMU	19	18	18	38	37	54	38
UVA	23	45	26	61	52	18	4
W&L	41	28	33	21	45	53	56
W&M	50	63	50	74	75	77	68
E&H	75	69	42	37	63	58	57
VPI	77	—	78	69	91	82	60
Sweet Briar	runners-up list	39	No Data	No Data	No Data	No Data	No Data
VMI	runners-up list	86	No Data	No Data	No Data	No Data	No Data

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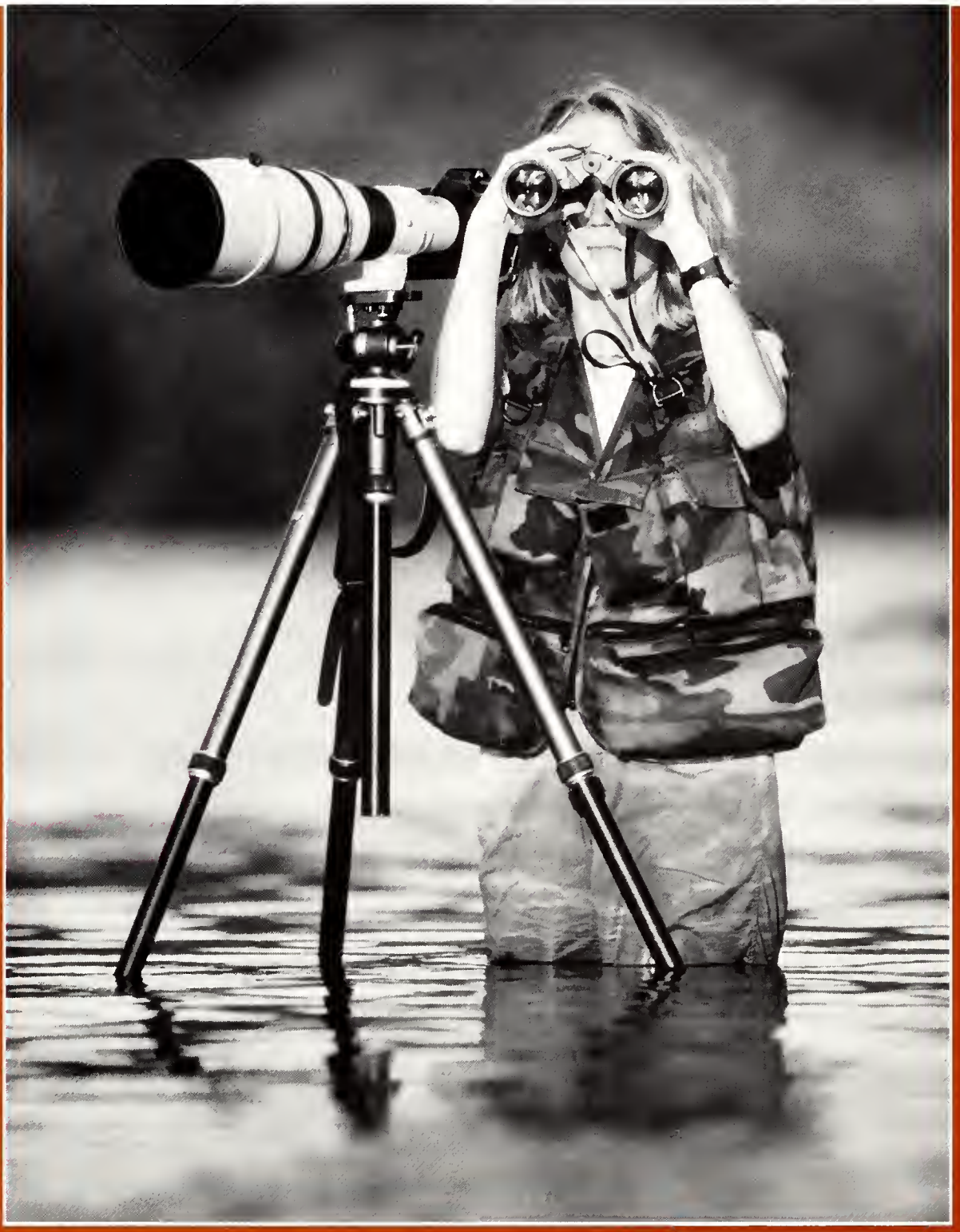

LYNDA RICHARDSON

BY J. SUZANNE HORSLEY '93

Dusk was rapidly approaching as the small group of men and women raced their all-terrain vehicles along the log-strewn beach. The humid air was thick, with mosquitoes diving at every inch of exposed flesh. Despite 100-degree temperatures, all riders wore long-sleeved shirts, heavy pants and hiking boots. Scarves were wrapped around their faces, and their bodies were swathed in insect repellent.

The mission was clear: photograph hatching sea turtles in a way that had never been done before. It was the end of the hatching season, and time was running out. But this was not the first time that the photographer in this group had to encounter less than ideal conditions. Lynda Richardson was beginning just another workday.

Richardson, a 1981 graduate of Mary Washington College

and this year's recipient of the Distinguished Alumnus Award, is one of the top four female wildlife photographers in the world, according to *Nature's Best Magazine*. Her unique style and use of lighting and symmetry have brought her success in a very competitive field. More than 30 national and international publications have printed her photographs, including *National Wildlife Magazine*, *National Geographic* and *Smithsonian*. She has traveled around the world capturing images of elusive, exotic, and sometimes dangerous animals. But this native of Richmond, Va., seems to love her job whether she's tracking down lions in Africa or ducks in her own back yard.

"I decided to go into wildlife photography because it meant something to me," says Richardson. "All my life, wildlife has been important to me. I am comfortable around animals and the outdoors. That's where I get my spiritual fulfillment."

Any professional photographer would need such incentive to endure the types of assignments that attract Richardson, who is often accompanied by husband and fellow photographer Tim Wright. During the sea turtle shoot, for instance, *National Wildlife Magazine* sent Richardson and her husband to an island off Naples, Fla. There were no reservations for the couple at a fancy gulf resort. They slept on the floor of a deserted lab and worked on the beach from six at night until six in the morning, prime mosquito time, to capture the baby sea turtles crawling out from their sandy nests and heading into the surf. During the day, Richardson and her sister, a researcher on this project, would put stray turtles that did not make it out the night before, into aquariums, so they could get close-ups of the hatchlings swimming.

"The mosquitoes were so bad at night that I would be taking a picture, and they would be stinging the whites of my eyes," recalls Richardson. "We went out in boats that hardly ever worked and wondered if we'd ever get back to the mainland. For the first seven nights we never saw a sea turtle, but before we got there, 10 a night were coming up on the beach. The magazine waited so long to make a decision to send us out there that it took two weeks to do what I should have done in three days." Despite miserable working conditions, fire ants and lack of sleep, Richardson's photo shoot was a success.

"The magazine loved it," she says of her resulting work. She had completed her mission of photographing a turtle the way it had never been done before.

From theme parks to the White House

Richardson didn't always know that she wanted to do wildlife photography. As a freshman at MWC, she was set to major in biology or pre-veterinary science then transfer to a veterinary school. But C's in chemistry and A's in art convinced her otherwise. She graduated with degrees in art and art education and went home to Richmond to gain experience in photography. She worked for a local camera shop, which gave her the opportunity to meet other photographers and add to her camera equipment. Later she learned studio techniques from Richmond photographer Mark Mitchell.

While working in Mitchell's studio, Richardson heard of a photography position in the marketing department at King's Dominion. She took photos for the employee newsletter, brochures and other marketing materials. Little did she know that this job at a theme park would be her first break as a photographer.

"A newspaper photographer came up one day to do a shoot," she remembers. "I heard about what he was going to be doing, and I just wanted to tag along and watch. A dentist was doing some work on a lion's tooth, and I said it would be cool to take a picture for the employee newsletter."

She spoke with the photographer and took some pictures, not realizing that wouldn't be the end of it. A couple of days later, a Richmond newspaper called and asked her if she took any photos of the lion that would be a good opening for the story. She selected a shot and went to the newspaper office to show them her work.

"I had agonized over it and made the absolute perfect print, then went down there shaking in my boots," she says. "I was thrilled to death that they offered me $25 to run it in the newspaper. They ran it huge on the front page of the "Flair" section.

"This was an important turning point for me. The Associated Press called me right after the picture ran in the newspaper and wanted to run it on the wire. They offered me a whole $10 or something," she says, laughing. Ironically, her future husband was working for the AP when they asked for her first photo. Richardson's photo of the lion opened the door to a photography career, but not as a wildlife photographer. She worked for many years with Wright as a stringer for the AP, taking pictures of sports stars, politicians, musicians, and just about anything else they needed. She assisted Wright when he covered Presidents Reagan and Bush and was introduced to the world of the Secret Service.

"It was a great experience," she says. "I shot stuff I never thought I would." But the hectic pace, often irritable subjects and stiff competition began to wear on her. "I started thinking, what's the big deal? This doesn't mean anything to me."

A clear focus on wildlife

Richardson also tried her hand at corporate work with the same unsatisfying results. She knew she loved photography, but hadn't decided on a genre. After Richardson and Wright were married in 1985, she realized that the most enjoyment she got from photography was when she took her fun shots of animals on weekends. With her husband's encouragement, Richardson gave up the AP and corporate world and devoted her energy to wildlife photography. The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries gave Richardson her first break in wildlife work. She's been a regular contributor to *Virginia Wildlife* for the last six years through her column, "Photo Tips," in addition to traveling the world on assignment for dozens of other clients.

Photography has allowed Richardson to share what she finds in nature with others. Once, when asked to give a presentation to a garden club, she opted to show slides of rather obscure animals native to Virginia.

"I never heard so many ooohs and aaahs," she says. "[The audience] said it was so fascinating, and that they never knew [these animals] lived in their back yards. I felt satisfaction that I opened those people's eyes.

"I noticed that when I have shows with my photographs from around the world, people almost always say the same thing: 'I look at that animal and it's almost looking back at me.' It's like this creature is a little person that has a life and a personality, and it's not just some dumb critter flying around. People really react positively to my work. I'm trying to capture and save pieces of our heritage, and things that are important that are constantly being decimated by us. I think some of the most tragic times in my life were when I saw wild, undeveloped property or property that had animals that lived on it..., when I saw it bulldozed under. That just haunts me. Animals are just as important as we are; they are here for a purpose, just like we are."

Richardson has found both meaning and gratification in photography. "You always seem to be rewarded," she says of her work, "if you keep looking. You always see neat stuff. If I keep plugging, I always get something in return when I'm out in nature. By rewarded, I mean like when I'm sitting in a blind, nothing's going on and I'm really bummed because the wild turkey didn't come by, or they hear my camera and run away. A reward would be to eat a granola bar and look down and see a meadow vole sitting on my foot eating the crumbs. Rewards are when you see something special."

Richardson is always looking for ways to expand her work. Last year, she and her husband both contributed photographs to a pictorial book on Richmond. In August she embarked on a nature conservancy tour of Alaska to give lectures and tips on photography while helping the tour-goers take priceless pictures of the Alaskan scenery and wildlife.

She is now working on a field guide to nature photography with the National Wildlife Federation, writing and doing the photography for the book. The Federation is also marketing signed photo note cards, depicting a variety of animals, that can be found in gift shops at the Science Museum of Virginia and Maymont in Richmond, as well as the MWC Bookstore.

All of Lynda Richardson's projects have a unique personalized touch. One can expect that any project she undertakes will be done unlike anything else.

If you are interested in learning more about Lynda Richardson's work, or in attending a future showing of her photography, you can contact her by e-mail at Lrwildlife@aol.com

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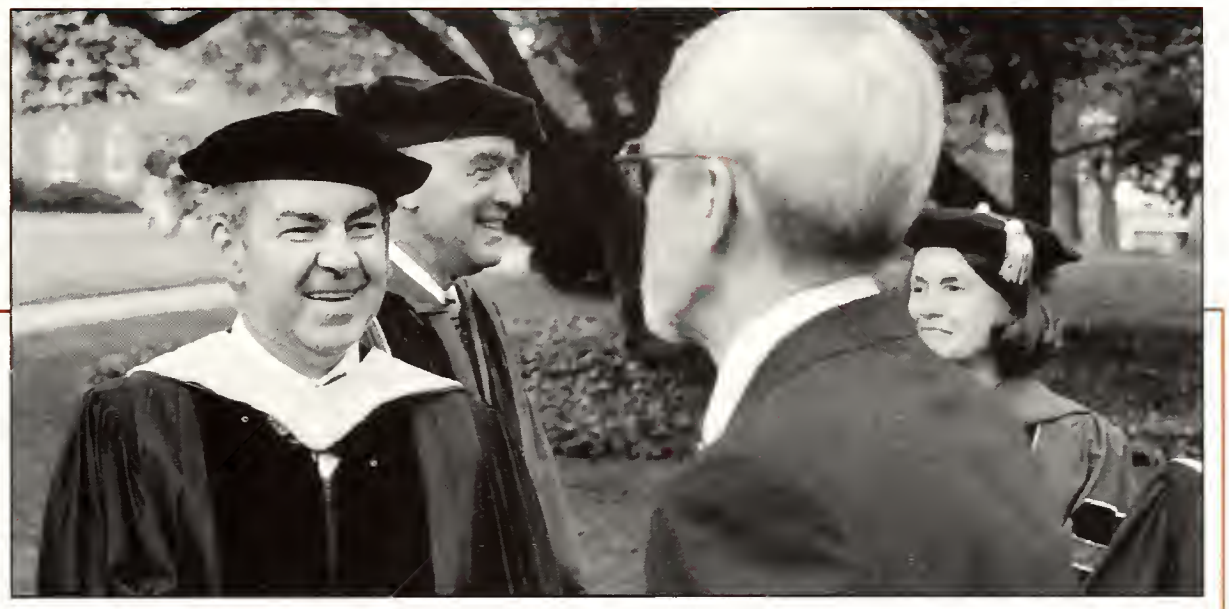


As the line of march assembled, President Anderson greeted well-wishers.

James Farmer received an honorary doctorate of humane letters.

BY MARK P. CANCELLERI '98

The 86th Annual Commencement at Mary Washington College was marked by a five-minute standing ovation for College President William M. Anderson Jr. Dr. Anderson presided over the ceremony on Saturday, May 17, in one of his first official acts since suffering a stroke caused by a ruptured brain aneurysm last September. After walking the 100-yard processional, he welcomed the crowd in Ball Circle. Despite rain, which fell steadily throughout the ceremony, 870 graduates received degrees personally from President Anderson. It was the largest number of graduates in the College's history.

Another emotional high point of the day came when James Farmer, distinguished college professor of history, was awarded an honorary doctorate of humane letters. For the presentation of this high honor, President Anderson called on Rector Paul A. Dresser Jr., Vice Rector Jean Polk Hanky '69, and Provost Philip L. Hall. Together they presented the award to Farmer for his service to MWC and to all of higher education. Farmer has been an integral player in the American civil rights movement since the 1960s. He is the founder and former director of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and the former program director of the NAACP. Farmer also served as assistant secretary for the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare under President Richard Nixon in 1969.

Singing — of the alma mater — in the rain.

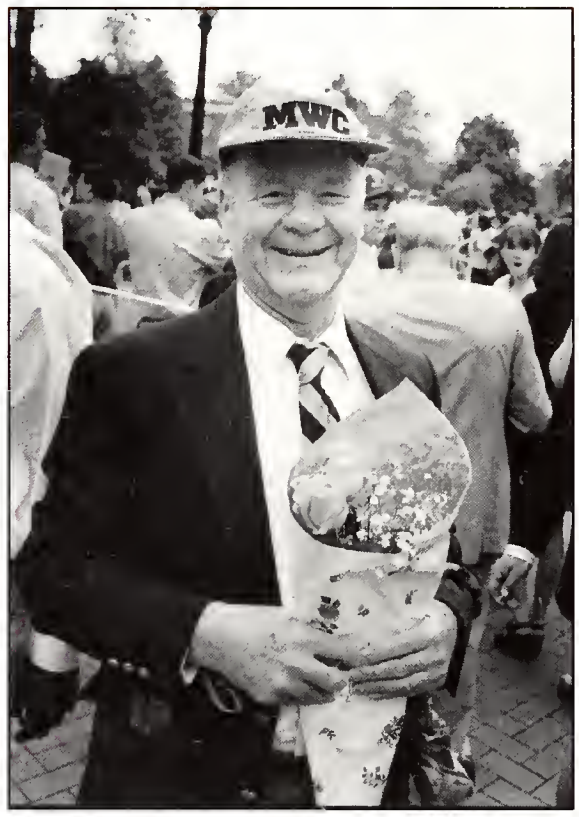
Senator John W. Warner, a fourth-term United States senator from Virginia, delivered the commencement address. Warner, re-elected to the senate in 1996, serves as the chair of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration. His distinguished career includes extensive experience with defense issues, including serving as an appointed observer of arms-control negotiations between the former Soviet Union and the United States. A

The Board of Visitors and Senator John Warner on the steps of George Washington Hall

lawyer by profession, Warner saw active duty in the Navy, later serving as Secretary of the Navy from 1972 to 1974. The crowd laughed and applauded Warner when he announced he would curtail his speech because of inclement weather.

Warner told the graduating class that they were going to have to work harder than their parents to achieve the same quality of life and economic freedom. He challenged the graduates to be ready to compete in the global marketplace, and yet maintain their sense of integrity.

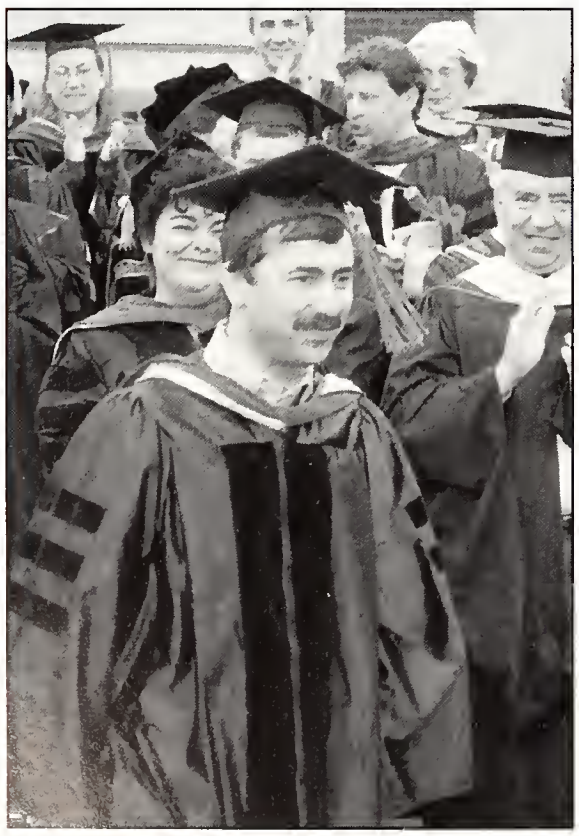
Two exceptional professors were acknowledged for their achievements. J. Christopher Bill, professor of psychology, received the Grellet C. Simpson Award. This most prestigious honor for teaching at MWC is awarded each year to a senior member of the faculty. Dr. Bill has been at MWC since 1972 and has been chair of the Department of Psychology. Mehdi Aminrazavi, assistant professor of philosophy and religion, received the MWC Alumni Association Outstanding Young Faculty Member Award, which is presented each year to an exceptional member of the faculty who has been at the College for at least two years but no more than five. Aminrazavi's philosophy and religion classes have been popular with students since he joined the MWC faculty in 1992. He has written extensively on topics related to Islamic religion and culture.



Ready to surprise a graduate

David Thomas Wrubel of Geneseo, N.Y., received the Colgate W. Darden Jr. Award, presented annually to the student with the highest grade point average. Wrubel demonstrated an outstanding combination of academic excellence, leadership and service, earning a cumulative GPA of 4.0, all A's. Wrubel, his classmates, and all present shared a day that none of them will soon forget.

Mark P. Cancellieri '98 of Smithtown, N.Y., is a student aide in MWC's Office of Publications.



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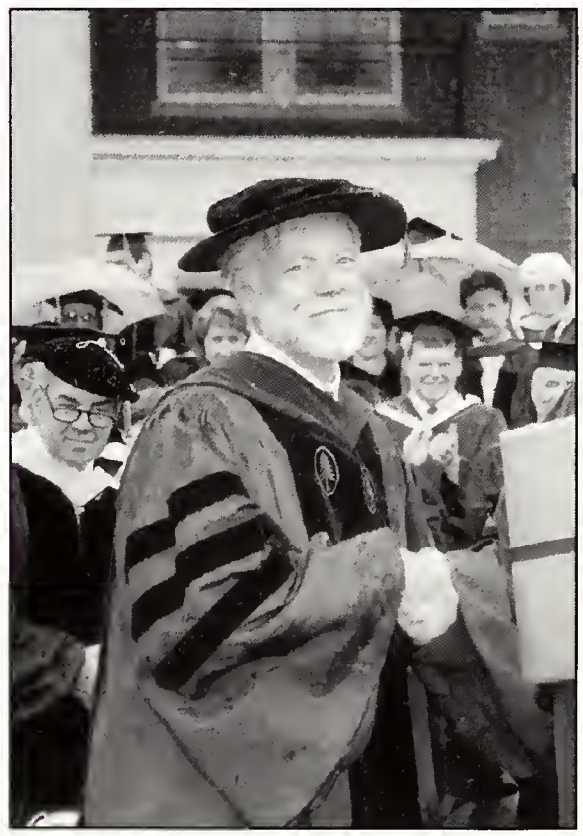

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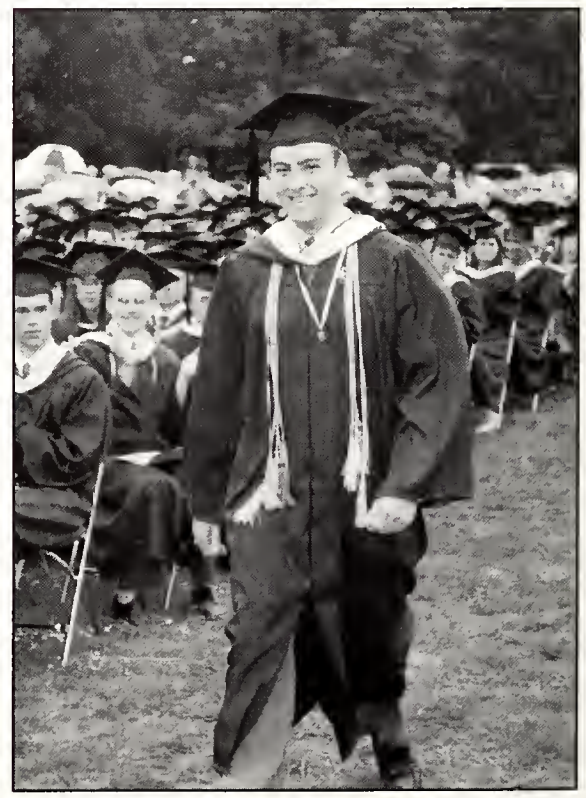
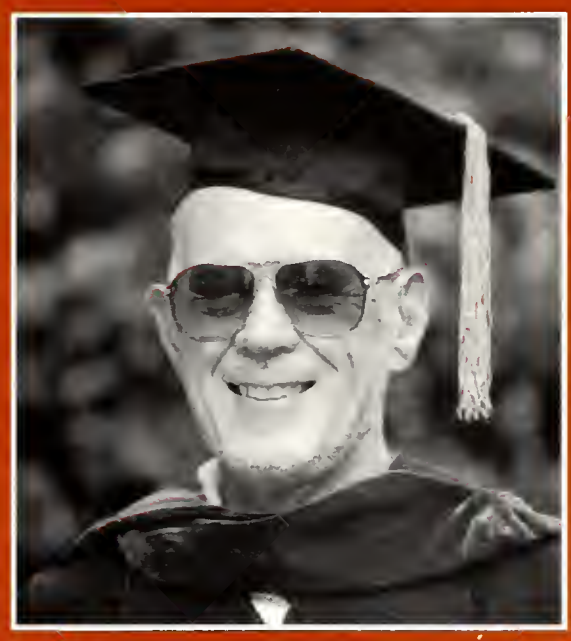


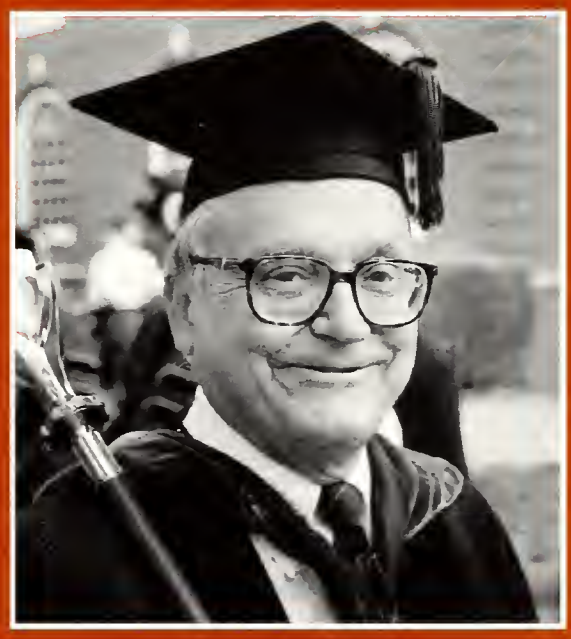
David Thomas Wrubel

Faculty members who have served Mary Washington College for at least 15 years and who have attained the rank of professor or associate professor are eligible upon retirement to be considered for emeritus status. This honor, by action of the Board of Visitors, was bestowed this year upon six distinguished members of the faculty.



DANIEL A. DERVIN

professor of English, linguistics, and speech, holds an undergraduate degree from Creighton University and master's and doctoral degrees in English from Columbia University. A member of the MWC English faculty for 30 years, he has offered 16 different courses, among them the department's mainstays of modern literature and drama, special studies in James Joyce and D.H. Lawrence, "Psychological Dimensions of Literature," "Becoming Human," and "Hitler and the Holocaust." His six books range in subject from Bernard Shaw to the psychoanalysis of film, from the analysis of American politics to British women's literature. A prolific scholar of exceptional breadth, Dr. Dervin has also published over 40 articles and delivered presentations at countless conferences.

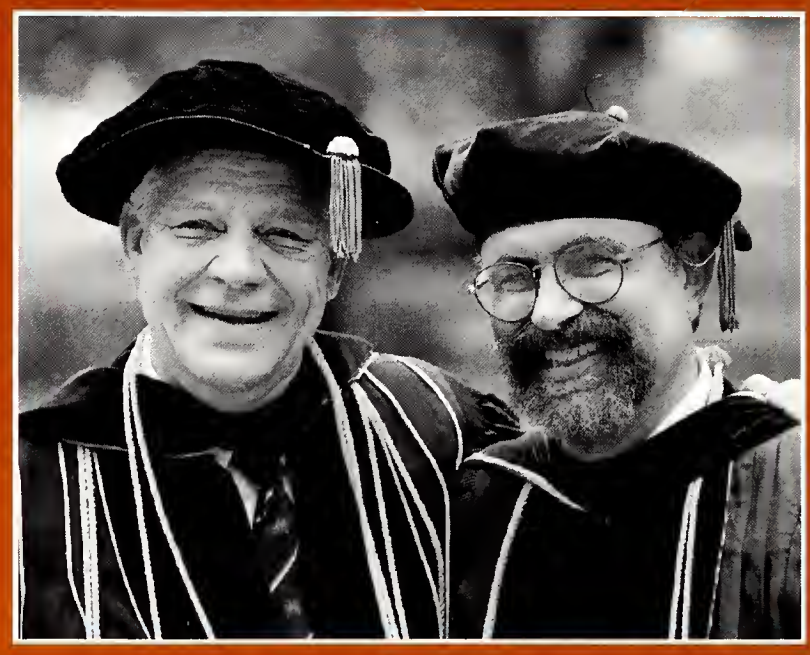


SAMUEL T. EMORY JR.

distinguished professor of geography, received his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of North Carolina (where his father was a professor), and earned his doctorate in geography from the University of Maryland. From his arrival at Mary Washington College in 1959 as the College's first full-time geographer, he proceeded to build the department into one of national stature. He not only chaired the department for many years, but also taught many of its courses, including political, historical, and economic geography, as well as geomorphology and various regional courses. In addition, Dr. Emory initiated the College's widely admired and emulated internship program and served for many years as both faculty parliamentarian and marshal of the faculty.

JAMES B. GOUGER

professor of geography, received his undergraduate degree from Montclair State and master's and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Florida. Dr. Gouger joined the faculty of Mary Washington College in 1969, just as the Geography Department was being established independently from the Geology Department. He contributed significantly to the development of the new department by adding a strong technical component, notably cartography, as well as courses in air-photo interpretation and remote sensing. Consistent with this devotion to the liberal arts, he developed a new course on the history and philosophy of the discipline. During nine years as department chair, Dr. Gouger worked effectively to acquire the necessary resources to enable geography students to develop skills appropriate to the rapidly changing demands of the profession.



RICHARD P. PALMIERI

professor of geography, joined the faculty of Mary Washington College in 1977, having received his undergraduate degree from the University of Massachusetts at Boston, his M.A. in geography from The University of Texas, and his Ph.D. in geography from the University of California at Davis. An extraordinarily gifted and exuberant teacher, he has won widespread admiration for the various courses he has taught, including world regional geography, economic geography, urban geography and — a course that became legendary at MWC — cultural geography. While his commitment to teaching has been paramount, he has also been constantly active in his profession, as evidenced by the extent and diversity of his published articles and invited papers. His devotion to the College has been exemplary, marked by service as interim director of the Center for Historic Preservation, as curator of furniture, and as a member of the Board of Regents of the James Monroe Museum and Memorial Library.

ANIANO PEÑA

professor of modern foreign languages, was born in one of the most colorful and culturally productive areas of Europe — the Basque country of north-central Spain. Having received his early education in local Catholic schools and colleges there, Peña first taught Spanish literature and Latin in Bilboa. Once in the United States, he obtained his master's from Temple University and his doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania before teaching at Franklin and Marshall College. At Mary Washington College since 1974, Dr. Peña has taught every level of Spanish language and literature from beginning Spanish to Cervantes. He has published two books, with another nearing publication, and his list of articles and scholarly presentations is extensive. The main areas of Dr. Peña's research are the Don Juan tradition, Cervantes, and *Volkerpsychologie*.

H. CONRAD WARLICK

senior vice president for administrative and student services, professor of education, received his B.A. degree from Wake Forest University, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa; his M.A. degree in English from the University of North Carolina; and his doctor of education degree from the University of Virginia, where he was elected to the Raven Society and Omicron Delta Kappa. From 1953 to 1957 he served as a lieutenant in the United States Navy. In 1974, having worked in the admissions office at the University of Virginia for 10 years (where he also taught English courses), Dr. Warlick came to Mary Washington College as dean of admissions and associate professor of education. In 1988 he became executive assistant to the president and subsequently served as senior vice president for administrative and student services.

Reunion 1997

Some excerpts from Class Notes help to recapture a great Reunion.

Class of 1947
50-Year Reunion

The Class of 1947 wants to thank the Alumni Association for the careful planning and execution of our reunion. It was a perfect weekend, and we all had a wonderful time meeting our classmates again after 50 years.

Eighty-eight class members responded to our reunion questionnaires, and, from the information available at this time, some interesting facts have been compiled: 211 children, 110 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren are reported.

Georgia Chryssikos Witt

Class of 1952
45-Year Reunion

Our 45th Reunion was a great success! Our headquarters was Ball, and those of us who spent the nights there had the most fun, wandering in and out of each other's rooms, carefree again, and enjoying the free lemonade, cookies, tea, coffee, muffins and Cokes, downstairs. The meals in the dining hall were excellent, and everything possible was done for us. Susan Hutcheson Jurgens is the only

Irene Taylor Richardson '47 (playing the piano) leads her 50th Reunion classmates in a rousing performance of MWC's alma mater at their class party during Alumni Reunion Weekend. Irene co-wrote the song with Jean Crotty Machonis '47, now deceased.

person to write in with news, so she has been awarded the job of class agent. (Ed. Note ☺)

Charlotte Adams Harrell

Class of 1957
40-Year Reunion

Welcoming packets came complete with a campus map to find our way around. We needed them: Our campus has grown, and it is more beautiful than ever.

Some of the 24 classmates who attended the reunion send these messages along to you. **Marlene Bost Braun:** Enjoyed seeing classmates, but wish more would have come back. I am just here for the day after attending the Va. State Convention of Music Clubs in Roanoke. My husband, Carl, and I, are looking forward to a trip in June to the Canadian Rockies to celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary.

Sandy Ball: What a great reunion — no one has changed! We're still the greatest group going — fun to see everyone and share a few memories. Until 2002 (oh, my God!).

Anne Jones Belsha: What fun to be together. The campus is lovely, again. My last daughter was married in March. I have three new sons now! Let's keep in touch!

Joan Callahan Frankhauser: Great fun seeing everyone and chatting about the fun times we had. I love being a grandmother! My husband and I are off to Paris on a "second" honeymoon in June.

Foncie Lawrence Williamson: We unloaded almost as much stuff for two nights as we left Ball with after graduation. Then the stories and laughter began and continued throughout our reunion. We found that our scrounging skills were still sharp and our appetite the same. How wonderful to catch up with all the news and to enjoy all the preparations made for us by the MWC staff. It was great, and we missed those of you who couldn't make it.

Ellen Hertz Hewitt

Several members of the Class of 1937, celebrating their 60th reunion, found each other at the picnic.

Dr. Eileen Kramer Dodd, professor emerita of psychology, and Bobbie Burton '74 at the picnic.

The picnic connects friends and families.

Alumni and guests celebrate the reunion at a reception hosted by the MWC Foundation.

Carmen Rodriguez Costa '47 and husband José traveled from Puerto Rico to Fredericksburg for Carmen's 50th reunion.

The ice cream sundaes are always the hit of the picnic.

Alumni Awards

BY CYNTHIA L. SNYDER '75

Reunion Weekend provided the ideal backdrop for MWC to recognize the achievements and contributions of two outstanding graduates. Each year at this time, the Alumni Association honors the recipients of the Distinguished Alumnus Award and the Mary Washington College Service Award. Awards chair Maureen Murphy McCart '68 presented the awards during the reunion banquet, which also included a 95th birthday tribute to Dean Emeritus Edward Alvey Jr.

Lynda Richardson '81, profiled elsewhere in this issue, was named Distinguished Alumnus for 1997. An internationally acclaimed wildlife photographer, Lynda's work has been featured in such publications as *National Geographic*, *Smithsonian*, *National Wildlife*, and *Sierra*. Her client list includes the National Wildlife Federation, the Associated Press, Amoco and Canon. In 1996, she was named by *Nature's Best* magazine as one of the four top women wildlife photographers in the world. She participated in the development of the *Nature's Best* television series, which featured her work in its pilot program. She has also conducted numerous seminars and workshops and made presentations before such diverse audiences as the Explorer's Club in New York, the South African Embassy and Safari Club International. Her work has been on exhibit at the Virginia Museum of Natural History and the National Wildlife Federation.

Members of this year's awards committee noted especially the blend of art and science that Lynda's work represents, and that her achievements illustrate the value and strength of a liberal arts education. Additionally, the committee remarked on the extraordinary example she has set for women.

The Mary Washington College Service Award, established by the Alumni Association in 1984, recognizes continuous service to the College and/or the Alumni Association. This year's recipient, Katherine Edmondson Hopper '30, has served the College consistently for decades. She was a pioneer as a member of the College's first Board of Visitors in 1972 and subsequently as its first female rector. She directed the Governor's School for the Gifted on the MWC campus from 1974 to 1977. In 1979, her long and eminent career as an educator and administrator with the Fairfax County school system earned her the Distinguished Alumnus Award. She served as chair of the committee to plan the College's 75th anniversary celebration in 1983, was national chair of the 1984-85 annual fund campaign, and was a charter member of the MWC Foundation Board of Directors, on which she continues to serve. The College has also previously honored her with an honorary doctorate of humane letters as well as alumni membership in Phi Beta Kappa.

Accepting the award a week before her birthday, Katherine noted that she considers herself and the College to be twins, since they were "born" in the same year — and she challenged the banquet audience to determine her age based on that clue. She now lives in Fredericksburg and remains active in the life of the College.

The Alumni Association also saluted several retiring faculty members. President Theresa Young Crawley '77 bestowed honorary alumnus status on Samuel Emory, distinguished professor emeritus of geography; James Gouger, professor emeritus of geography; and H. Conrad Warlick, senior vice president emeritus for administrative and student services. Also honored but unable to be present were Daniel Dervin, professor emeritus of English; Richard Palmieri, professor emeritus of geography; and Aniano Peña, professor emeritus of modern foreign languages.

Lynda Richardson '81

Katherine Edmondson Hopper '30

Cynthia L. Snyder '75 is director of alumni relations.

RETURN TO OZ

BY LIZ GORDON

Long for your Mary Washington College days? Yearn to walk the rolling campus in spring when it's bathed in lamplight, or in winter, when snow covers everything but the edges of new construction? Grab the dog, even if his name isn't Toto, and click the heels of your sparkly ruby-red shoes. Whirl your way back to MWC, via the Internet.

Don't think you'll be the only one wandering around looking for your land of Oz; people from Australia, Peru, Denmark, every section of the globe, click on the MWC Web site. In August, when few people are on campus, the *daily* average of hits to our home page was 518. A two-week average for that month shot up to 9,152, and the numbers continue to grow. Type in www.mwc.edu and as quick as you can ask, "How do I get to the Emerald City?" you're on the red brick road leading through the heart of MWC campus.

Once on the MWC Home Page, there are several paths to follow.

- The first link travels to President Anderson's page, the administrative offices, alumni relations, MWC phone numbers and a campus map.
- The Admissions link gives a prospective student or inquiring parent all the information necessary to apply for admission. Just added is a virtual tour of the campus with colorful and descriptive map connections.
- The next link enters the academic departments, the MWC centers, and visits the registrar for an up-to-date listing of courses.
- Following the link to Simpson Library can take you through the Simpson stacks, or beyond, to the Virtual Library of Virginia, Britannica Online, Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, federal government sites and many other places.
- MWC News, another vital connection, carries current information on public events, a media resource guide to MWC faculty and, of course, a review of *MWC Today's* articles and a selection of photos from each issue of the last year.
- A click on Athletics introduces MWC's coaching staff, its sports facilities, and gives a link to "Last Night's Results."
- Beyond MWC's official pages are professional and personal pages developed by faculty, the administrative staff and students. Most pages have a comments button, so visitors can send rants or raves straight to the department, office or webmaster.
- Student Life pages contain officially recognized clubs and organizations.
- The MWC Music Department shows off its schedule of concerts.

Too many places you want to revisit and not enough time? Click on the Monroe Hall icon at the bottom of each page and you're whirled out and back home like the heroine in our story. Remember, like Dorothy, you now have the power to visit your land of Oz. And there's no place like MWC. There's no place like MWC.

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A Tale of Two Seasons—

BY CLINT OFTEN

For Mary Washington College Athletics, the 1996-97 school year was the best of times; for the opponents on MWC's 21-sports schedule, it was the worst of times. Already established as one of the top Division III athletic programs in the nation, the Eagles flew back to the top again this year, winning more than 60 percent of its games and sending a record 10 teams (or individuals from those teams) to national competition.

The fall teams at MWC won three Capital Athletic Conference titles, with all six squads achieving .500 or better records. The **men's soccer** team, coached by Virginia State and CAC Coach of the Year Roy Gordon, advanced to the NCAA Tournament with a 17-4-1 record and hosted the Division III South Region finals. Senior midfielder Chris Blelloch was named All-Region, All-Conference, and All-State after becoming the third player in school history to amass 50 goals in a career. Goalkeeper Jim Hummel and defender Craig Gillan were also named All-Region, All-State, and All-CAC, for their work in leading the Eagle defense.

Stan Soper's **cross country** teams also enjoyed a fine season, culminating with the Eagles hosting the CAC and NCAA Regional races. Led by All-American and CAC Men's Runner of the Year, Jon Gates, the men's team won the conference title for the sixth straight year. Gates, MWC's first male cross country All-American, finished in 13th place at nationals after winning five of the seven races in which he ran in 1996. The MWC women's team, although collectively much younger than the men, had an outstanding season as well. The emergence of freshman Tiffany Snodgrass, the CAC's Women's Runner of the Year, helped the Eagles take the Virginia Division II and III Championship. Snodgrass came on strong at the end of the year, winning two of her last races and finishing in the top six in four other races.

One of MWC's perennial top teams is the **women's soccer** team, and 1996's edition was no different, amassing a 14-4-2 record and repeating as conference champions. Head Coach Kurt Glaeser was named CAC Coach of the Year, and was awarded his 100th win when the team defeated Salisbury State in the conference tournament finals. Along the way, the Eagles recorded a school-record 12 shutouts, ranked in the national top 20 for most of the year, and played one of the most challenging schedules in the nation. Freshman Johanna Klein was named CAC Rookie of the Year after tying for the team lead in scoring, with six goals and six assists.

Dee Conway's young MWC **volleyball** team, with one senior and one junior on the roster, posted an 18-14 record, including a 5-2 mark and first-place regular season finish in the Capital Athletic Conference. Freshman Lisa Skaggs and junior Hilary Clark were named to the All-State and All-CAC team after combining to lead the team in virtually every statistical category.

Jason Fusaro '98 helped the men's soccer team advance to the 1996 NCAA Tournament.

All-CAC Forward Anne Wenthe '98 and the women's soccer team won their fifth conference title in six years.

The MWC **field hockey** team finished with an 8-8 record, but placed second in the CAC regular season, winning four of five conference games. With an extremely tough schedule, the Eagles played against four of the final eight teams that compet-

EAGLES

THE BEST OF TIMES IN 1996-97

ed in the national tournament, dropping two of those games in overtime. Senior midfielder Charlotte Cockrell was named second team All-American after posting one goal and five assists and defending the opponents' top offensive players. Angie Saulsbury and Natalie Simpson were selected as Academic All-Americans by the NCAA Field Hockey Coaches Association.

The winter teams at MWC picked up right where the fall teams left off, with CAC men's and women's Coach of the Year Matt Kinney leading the **swim teams** to dominating victories in the conference meets. The men, led by two-time All-Americans Tim Selgas and Chris Rice, finished with a 7-2 record in dual meets, with both losses coming by a combined total of 10 points. Selgas, MWC's first

All-American, CAC Rookie and Swimmer of the Year Mariah Butler, now a sophomore.

male swimming All-American, was also named CAC Swimmer of the Year, while Eagle freshman Mark Greenleaf was tabbed the loop's top newcomer. The women were equally impressive, as evidenced by their 8-1 record. Freshman Mariah Butler was named CAC Swimmer and Rookie of the Year, and also earned two All-America awards, while junior Megan Reese also swam to All-American honors at the national meet.

The **men's basketball** team, under the guidance of first-year head coach Rod Wood, exceeded all expectations by finishing 15-11, the best at MWC in 10 years. Led by 1,000 point scorer and All-Region, All-State, and All-Conference forward Justin McCarthy, MWC ranked among national leaders in rebounding margin and free throw shooting, placing third in the CAC. Wood was named the conference Coach of the Year.

Youth was also served on Connie Gallahan's **women's basketball** team, as the Eagles fielded no seniors on its roster. MWC, 8-15 on the year, was led by junior forward Lindsay Stover's 15.7 points per game and sophomore guard Andrea Sellers' 14.4 PPG. Freshman Erika Grace made 47.9 percent of her three-point attempts, finishing near the top in national rankings in that category as the Eagles took sixth in the CAC.

The spring teams saw five teams represented at national competition, including a first-ever appearance by Roy Gordon's **men's tennis**. Gordon's netters finished 11-6, and were led by seniors Chris Wallace at #1 singles and doubles and Brad Burch at #3 singles and doubles. MWC took second at the CAC Championships, and won their last five matches to qualify for the NCAA berth, in which they lost to the eventual national champion. Not to be out-done, Ed Hegmann's **women's tennis** team finished 16-5, and placed 13th at the Division III National Tournament in Claremont, Calif. CAC Player of the Year Kirsten Erickson advanced to the national singles tournament, and was named an Academic All-American for the second straight year. She and partner Leah Morris advanced to the national doubles tournament as well, and freshman Jyoti Schlesinger copped CAC Rookie of the Year as MWC swept the conference championships.

After a two-year absence, CAC Coach of the Year Tom Sheridan's **baseball** team returned to the Division III national playoffs, led by first-team All-American Jeff Hootselle. Hootselle, the CAC and Virginia State Player of the Year, finished 11-1 with 142 strikeouts as the Eagles finished 28-7, tied for the best-ever at the school. MWC led the nation in Division III in fielding, with a .977 average, and also won the CAC Tournament for the first time since 1994. Meanwhile, the **softball** team of Dee Conway won 12 games and advanced to the finals of the conference tournament for the sixth consecutive year. The Eagles had no seniors on its roster, and, led by All-State and All-CAC catcher Sara Goode, should contend for the conference crown again in '98. Goode hit .375 with nine stolen bases and a team-high 24 runs scored.

Like his cross country teams, Stan Soper's **track and field** teams also tasted success at the highest levels, as both teams won the CAC title and had several representatives at the NCAA Division III National Championships in Lacrosse, Wis. Senior Jon Gates, a cross country All-American, repeated that feat twice more, taking third place in the indoor 5000 meters and fifth in the outdoor 10,000 meters. Gates ends his career as the most decorated male athlete ever at MWC, with three CAC runner of the year awards and three All-American plaques. On the

Kelley Gallagher '99 and the women's tennis team finished 13th at the NCAA Division III Championships.

women's side, senior Myra Simpson and freshman Yurissa Mitchell advanced to nationals in the triple jump. Mitchell, MWC's first-ever freshman participant at nationals, finished in ninth place, with six of the performers that finished above her being graduating seniors.

CAC Coach of the Year Dana Hall's **women's lacrosse** team won the Capital Athletic Conference title for the first time in 1997, culminating a school-best 11-5 season. Senior Charlotte Cockrell, a field hockey All-American, was also named second team All-American in lacrosse to culminate a career that saw her end at #2 in the school career scoring charts. Hall's Eagles set school scoring records for goals in a game (24, vs. Goucher), and in a season (200), and saw five players named all-region: Cockrell, Melissa Ballance, Inga Fredland, Liza Barber, and CAC Rookie of the Year Sara Andersen.

The MWC **men's lacrosse** team ended with a 4-10 record while playing a top-flight schedule. The Eagles were led in scoring by seniors Kevin Ely and Kyle Aldrich, who both were near the top of CAC scoring columns. Aldrich, tied for first in career scoring at MWC, was the program's first player to be chosen as an alternate for the prestigious North/South game this spring. The Eagle stickers fielded a young squad in 1997, but the quick athletic squad gained experience that will serve them well as they return to glory in 1998.

The **riding** team, which competed in two shows in the fall, (taking fifth at the University of Maryland show and seventh at the Towson State University show), was just as competitive in the spring, with top riders Joanna Moore and Teresa Bettis each winning first place twice in novice events in each of the two fall shows. In the spring, the Eagles were victims of poor weather, as the team had to cancel its only home show of the year, but did host the regional finals in early April, placing sixth out of 12 teams. MWC also participated in the Sweet Briar and University of Virginia shows, placing fourth and fifth respectively.

As the spring seasons came to a close, the MWC athletic program looked back on another classic year: 10 conference titles, an overall 60-plus winning percentage, 13 All-Americans, four Academic All-Americans, eight CAC Players of the Year, and, for the sixth straight year, the Capital Athletic Conference All-Sports Award for overall athletic excellence. With of such an impressive list of accomplishments in 1996-97, the MWC Eagles experienced the best of times.

Clint Often is the sports information director at MWC.

Nathan Payne '97 broke the school season RBI record (43) as the MWC baseball team returned to the NCAA playoffs in 1997.

Field hockey midfielder Angie Saulsbury '98 was named Academic All-American for the second consecutive year in 1996-97.

1997 Hall of Fame Banquet Held on Homecoming Weekend

The second annual Mary Washington College Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet was held on Friday, Oct. 24, 1997, in the Great Hall of MWC's Woodard Campus Center. Inductees include Brian "Buddy" Hawley '87, Pam Heller Black '87, and Jenny Utz '82. Details will appear in the winter issue of *MWC Today*.

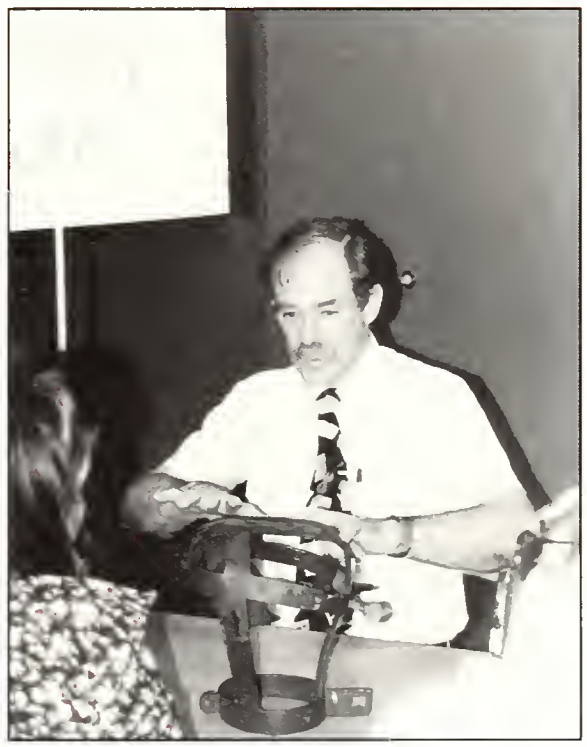
On Campus

Fredericksburg Forum To Feature SHELBY FOOTE, CHARLES MCDOWELL AND HAL HOLBROOK IN 1997-98

The Fredericksburg Forum, for its 1997-98 season, will feature two stars of the PBS "Civil War" documentary series, historian Shelby Foote and journalist Charles McDowell, and one of theater's best-known character actors, Hal Holbrook, who will present his acclaimed "Mark Twain Tonight."

The Fredericksburg Forum, now in its third year, is a community-supported program under the sponsorship of Mary Washington College. Underwritten by season-ticket sales and corporate sponsorships, the Fredericksburg Forum brings nationally known speakers to the Fredericksburg community and the College campus.

The first Fredericksburg Forum program of the 1997-98 season will be held on Tuesday, October 28, with Shelby Foote as the featured speaker and Charles McDowell as host and commentator. The second Forum program, featuring Hal Holbrook as Mark Twain, will be held on Wednesday, April 15, 1998. For ticket information concerning the Fredericksburg Forum, contact the forum office at the College at (540)654-1276.



Gary Stanton examines a replica of a constraining device.

FINALLY, FRED!

Not a lot you can do these days with 25 cents — a wee pack of gum, maybe a daily newspaper — except in Fredericksburg, where a shiny quarter gets you a ride to almost anywhere in town. Yes, alumni — a bus ride.

FRED, the Fredericksburg Regional Transit's set of five buses, which rolled onto Fredericksburg streets in December 1996, has counted more than 45,000 rides. Of the 1,500 rides a week, many are MWC students who ride free with College ID, because Mary Washington College helps support the system.

FRED's four scheduled bus routes (18 areas) stop at grocery stores, banks, drugstores, cleaners, Spotsylvania Mall, the Amtrak station and the downtown historic area. Additional service to the adjacent counties of Spotsylvania and Stafford and weekend transportation are being considered.

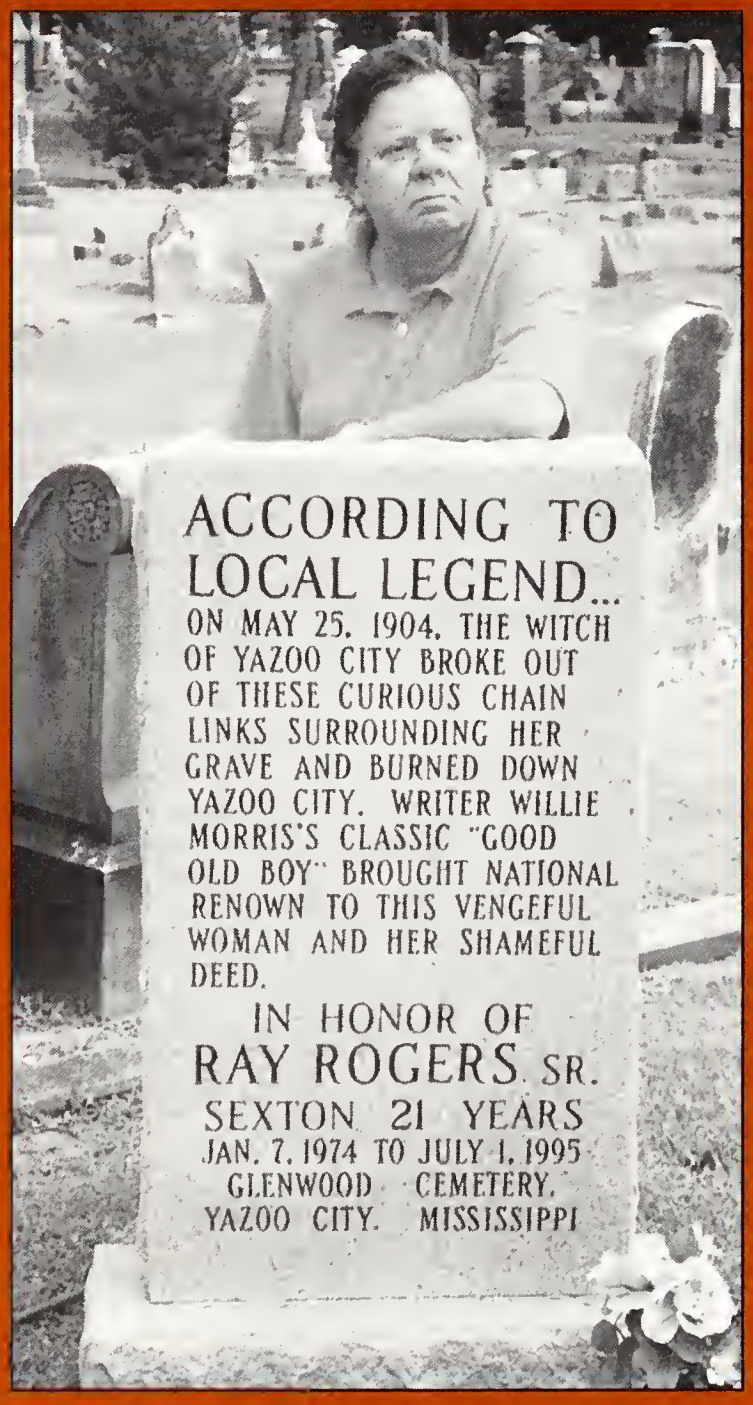
"STUMP THE CURATORS"

David Berreth, director of Belmont, warned Fredericksburg area residents, "Nine times out of 10 it's not what you hope it is." But the people came anyway. There was still one chance in 10 that their prized objet d'art might be valuable. So, while tourists roamed city streets during Market Square Fair last May, museum professionals, many from Mary Washington College, helped local residents identify their "precious" items.

"Stump the Curator" day, held at the Central Rappahannock Regional Library, proved to be an enlightening, entertaining challenge for the representatives from MWC. Acting as a three-some, Joanna Catron, Belmont's curator, Forrest McGill, director of Mary Washington College Galleries, and Berreth evaluated items in the category of fine arts. Sitting at other tables, Gary Stanton, associate professor of historic preservation, took questions concerning folk art; Lee Langston-Harrison, curator of the James Monroe Museum and Memorial Library examined textiles and manuscripts; and Brenda Sloan, Simpson Library's special collections librarian, investigated rare books and manuscripts.

MWC's Jack Bales

Virginia Writer Examines Morris



Willie Morris at the grave of the Witch of Yazoo, a legendary character immortalized in his 1971 book, Good Old Boy.

BY ALLEN BASWELL

He has written books on such well-known writers as Horatio Alger, Kenneth Roberts and Esther Forbes.

Now, Jack Bales is tackling a project on Yazoo native Willie Morris.

"I'm planning to write a book on Willie which will be a study of his books within the context of his life," Bales said on a recent visit to Yazoo City.

A reference librarian at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Va., Bales became acquainted with the work of the renowned Mississippi writer last year courtesy of a friend in Fredericksburg.

"I have an elderly lady friend who read *My Dog Skip*, and she suggested that I read it. It took me only one day to read it," Bales said.

Afterward, he wrote a fan letter to Morris, and the two began exchanging letters.

"I later asked him if he would let me write a book about him, and he agreed," Bales said.

Bales, 45, recently spent some research time in Yazoo City, Oxford and Jackson, where Morris makes his home with his wife, JoAnne.

Bales also has acquired issues of *The Texas Observer*, a publication Morris edited when he returned to Texas following a stint at Oxford University in England, where he was a Rhodes Scholar.

Bales said he'll buy every issue of *Harper's* magazine published during Morris' tenure as editor from 1967 to 1971.

And he intends on acquiring first editions of each of Morris' books.

"He has sent me at least 60 to 65 different editions of his books. I even have a first edition of the Yoknapatawpha Press edition of *North Toward Home*," Bales said.

Writing about his favorite writers is not Bales' only passion.

"I've been a book collector all of my life. I once owned all 117 books by Horatio Alger," Bales said.

He also wrote a book about historical novelist Kenneth Roberts, who wrote *Northwest Passage*, a book Bales read when he was in grade school. He has put the finishing touches on a book about Esther Forbes, author of *Johnny Tremain*, a children's story about the American Revolution.

During his Yazoo visit, Bales visited some of the sites Morris has written about in such works as *Good Old Boy*. He also visited Ricks Memorial Library, met with former *Yazoo Herald* owner and Publisher Norman Mott and combed back issues of the *Herald*.

In Oxford, where Morris spent several years at the University of Mississippi, Bales spent countless hours researching the many papers Morris has donated to the school.

Bales describes Morris as a "master essayist."

"His whole sense of place in his writings, his sense of remembrance of place, appeal to me. His books parallel his life," Bales said.

His recent trip to Mississippi was not Bales' first venture to the state. He visited with Morris last year during the premiere of the movie "Ghosts of Mississippi," for which Morris served as a consultant.

"One day he brought me here to Yazoo City and gave me a tour of Glenwood Cemetery and all the sites he's written about," Bales said.

A native of Aurora, Ill., a town 40 miles from Chicago, Bales enjoys the South, especially Mississippi.

"I like being here. The people of the South and of Mississippi are proud people who are aware of their roots," he said.

Bales said he believes Mississippi has produced so many great writers such as Morris, William Faulkner and Eudora Welty because of its people's love of storytelling.

"The whole tradition of storytelling and how people want to preserve that is so neat," he said.

The biography Bales is writing on Morris will be published by LSU Press. He plans to do another Morris project to be published by University Press of Mississippi.

"This one will be more of a literary conversation with Willie," Bales said.

He hopes to begin writing in the next couple of months.

Allen Baswell is a staff writer for The Yazoo Herald. *This article was reprinted with permission of* The Yazoo Herald, *in Yazoo City, Miss.*

Editor's note: Jack Bales tells us that you can access Willie Morris information on the Internet. Check out his Mississippi Writers Page at http://www.olemiss.edu/depts/english/ms-writers/dir/morris_willie/index.html

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

Three faculty members have been included in the fourth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* 1996. They are: Larry D. Davis, director of the Upward Bound program; Stephen J. Farnsworth, instructor of political science; and David J. Long, professor of music. These faculty were listed among the 120,000 teachers selected by one or more former students who themselves were listed in either *Who's Who Among American High School Students* or the National Dean's List.

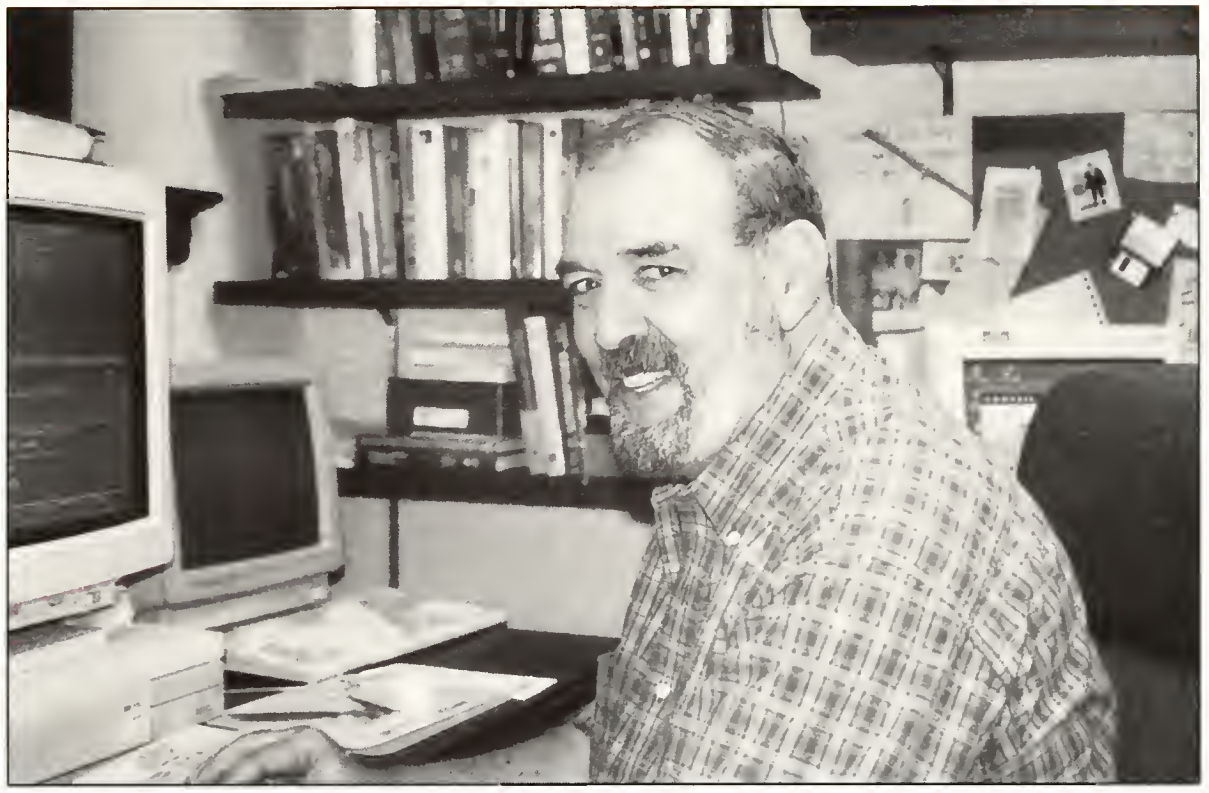
Roy F. Gratz, professor of chemistry, received a Summer Faculty Fellowship from the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE). Dr. Gratz spent 10 weeks this past summer at the Naval Air Warfare Center, Weapons Division, in China Lake, Calif. He worked on the synthesis of new monomers for electro-optic polymers.

Liane R. Houghtalin, assistant professor of classics, presented a paper titled "Coins and the Biography of the Usurper Laelianus," at the Annual Meeting of the Archaeological Institute of America in New York City.

Christina Kakavá, assistant professor of linguistics, had two articles published in the *International Journal of the Sociology of Language*: "Sociolinguistic Research in Modern Greek: Past, Current, and Future Directions," and "Politeness and Particularities of Requests." Dr. Kakavá also presented "Calves, Cows and Oxen: Serious and Joking Dueling in Oral Greek Discourse" at the American Association of Applied Linguistics Annual Meeting. She also gave a paper for an invited colloquium titled "Speaking for the Other" at the Georgetown Linguistics Society Conference on Discourse Analysis.

Patricia L. Metzger, professor of business administration, made several presentations: "Contrasting Assessments Made by Business Students of the Relative Importance of Selected Ethical Issues Reveals Significant Differences by Gender and by Interest in Accounting at One 'Highly Selective' Liberals Arts College" at the American Accounting Association, Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting. Also, "An Approach to Incorporating the Structured Content of a Traditional Business Course into the Self-Directed Classroom" at the Society of Educators and Scholars International Conference; and "Making Ethics Relevant Encourages Effective Learning: Illustration with Adult Learners" at the Association for Practical and Professional Ethics National Meeting.

John H. Reynolds, professor of computer science, presented "Introduction to Message Passing Interface" for a workshop at the Special Interest Group in Computer Science Education '97 Technical Symposium on Computer Science Education, held in San Jose, Calif.



John H. Reynolds

Douglas W. Sanford, assistant professor of historic preservation, presented a paper titled "Down by the Riverside: Archaeology At and Around Historic Dams in Eastern Virginia" at the annual meeting of the Archaeological Society of Virginia held in Ashland.

Stephen H. Watkins, associate professor of English, gave a reading and participated on a writers' panel at the Charlottesville Festival of Books this spring.

EVENTS ON CAMPUS

April

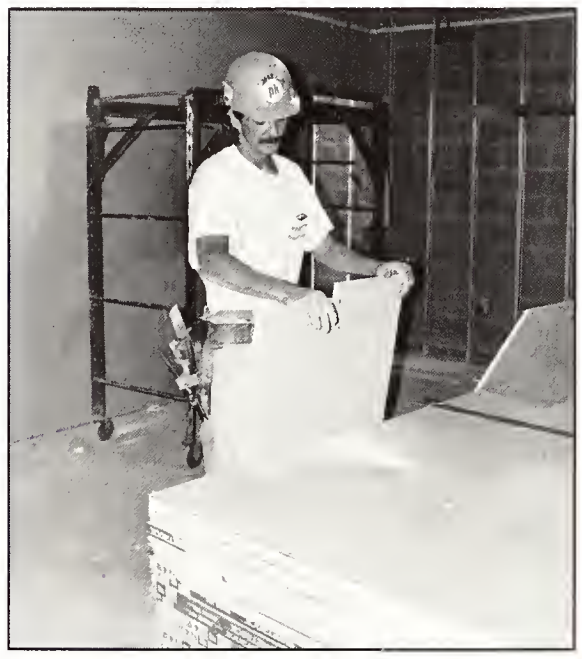
The Cultural Awareness Series concluded with speaker Houston Baker, director of the Center for the Study of Black Literature and Culture, professor of English and Albert M. Greenfield Professor at the University of Pennsylvania. Baker was the opening speaker for the Virginia Humanities Conference...The Chestnut Brass Company, a quintet of musicians who perform on three dozen instruments and play music ranging from the time of King Henry the Eighth to Duke Ellington, gave a concert in Lee Hall Ballroom. The group has been in the forefront of period-instrument revival...The Rappahannock Region Small Business Development Center at Mary Washington College offered its Micro-business Training Program, guiding participants through the process of preparing a formal written business plan for strategic planning and/or financing a small business...The Fredericksburg Singers and the Mary Washington College Voices of Praise gospel choir combined for a concert of gospel music in Dodd Auditorium...The Department of Classics, Philosophy, and Religion hosted the Ninth Annual FALTA (Fredericksburg Area Latin Teachers Association) Invitational Certamen...A free tax preparation session to assist elderly residents, people with disabilities, and others, was held. Student volunteers trained at MWC helped with tax form preparation...The Mary Washington College Department of Theatre and Dance closed its 1996-97 season with the MWC Fringe Festival, a four-day showcase of student-directed one-act plays, performance art and student choreography...The Friends of the Mary Washington College-Community Symphony Orchestra sponsored the first program in a new classical musical series for children, called "Fiddlestix." The purpose of the program, presented on the lawn at Trench Hill, was to provide a classical music series for children of all ages...The Black Belt College of America's Virginia Championships was held in Goolrick Hall. The tournament was co-sponsored by MWC's Martial Arts Club... Eight students in a senior-level museum laboratory class at the College designed and installed an exhibit titled "Become Enchanted with Germanna: Discover the Layers of a Historic Virginia Site." The exhibit was on display in Trinkle Hall's Rotunda, and summarized the history of the Germanna site from 3,000 years ago to the present...Jane Elliott, adaptor of the "Blue Eyes, Brown Eyes" discrimination experiment, spoke at MWC...The Mary Washington College-Community Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of James E. Baker, presented its fourth concert of the 1996-97 concert season.... Dr. Joan C. Chrisler, professor and chair of the Department of Psychology at Connecticut College, was the keynote speaker for the 12th Annual Psi Chi Research Symposium. The lecture, "PMS as a

Ray Merchent, professor emeritus of education, was the featured speaker at the 20th anniversary celebration of the B.L.S. program in April.

Culture-Bound Syndrome," was held in Chandler Hall... Herman John 'Jack' Heikkenen, Ph.D., principal investigator, Dendrochronology Inc., Blacksburg, Va., presented an illustrated lecture, "Dendrochronology — Tree Ring Dating of Historic Structures" ...The combined choral ensembles of Mary Washington College presented "Lighter Side XV"...The Rappahannock Region Small Business Development Center and Murphy Marketing Services hosted a "Competitive Strategies Workshop."

May

The Mary Washington College Center for Instructional Technology offered a three-day conference on technology in the classroom. The conference was free and open to educators at all levels. Faculty from Mary Washington College and other institutions presented more than 25 workshops on such topics as "Developing the K-12 Technology Certificate Program" and "Finding and Evaluating Information on the World Wide Web." This is the second year the program, called "Faculty Academy," has been offered... The Center for Historic Preservation at Mary Washington College awarded the Historic Preservation Book Prize for 1997 to *Mickey Mouse History and Other Essays on American Memory* by Mike Wallace, professor of history at John Jay College of the City University of New York. The Historic Preservation Book Prize is awarded each year to the book that has made the most significant contribution to the historic preservation movement in the United States, as determined by a jury of professionals... Mary Washington College offered a transition program for students with disabilities who plan to attend a two- or four-year college in 1997. The transition program is designed to improve each student's ability to identify and remove barriers to an effective college education by providing a preview of programs and services...Cued speech and advanced American sign language interpreter classes were offered during the summer, with classes open to the public without charge.



Construction on The Jepson Science Center continues, with much of the work progressing on the interior.

Julien Binford, Untitled (seated woman in flowered hat), India ink and hand-rubbed printer's ink on paper

Last spring's exhibition at the MWC Galleries of works by former Art Department faculty occasioned much nostalgia for alumni. At Reunion many told wonderful stories of Julien Binford, Gaetano Cecere, Emil Schnellock, Dorothy Duggan Van Winckel, and other revered teachers. Maureen Rowe Paige '70, who lent a number of works by Binford for the exhibition, has just donated one of his evocative drawings from the early 1940s. Thinking of Binford she says, "When I had the opportunity to work with him several years after I graduated, he gave me the extra footing I needed to continue painting.

Do you know anything about this bronze sculpture? For years this Japanese demon was chained in a corner of GW Hall, but now it occupies a pedestal of honor in the Ridderhof Martin Gallery on campus. An art history student, who is researching both its origin and its mysterious appearance at MWC, can use your help. If you know how it came to MWC or have information that could reveal any part of its history, please contact Chris Lora, c/o Mary Washington College Galleries, Fredericksburg, VA 22401-5358.

Alumni News

Message from the President of the Alumni Association

Reunion Weekend 1997 took place May 30 – June 1, bringing together the classes ending in 2s and 7s. The festivities included lectures, a demonstration of the campus-wide fiber-optic computer network, an art exhibit in the Ridderhof Martin Gallery, and a tour of new and recently renovated campus facilities. Friday's highlight was an elegant cocktail reception on the lawn at Brompton hosted by President and Mrs. Anderson. Dr. Anderson has made a remarkable recovery from his aneurysm, and it was gratifying indeed to have him welcome the returning alumni.

The MWC Foundation Board hosted another beautiful reception in the Ridderhof Martin Gallery late Saturday afternoon, honoring the classes celebrating their golden (1947) and silver (1972) reunions, plus the other three classes with the highest number of donors (1967), the highest percentage of donors (1957), and the largest gift total (1977).

Other events of the weekend are described elsewhere in this issue of *MWC TODAY*. Many thanks to all who attended, to the alumni and advancement staff, and to the dozens of volunteers, especially Darnell Horio DeMasters '84, all of whom contributed to making Reunion Weekend a huge success. Plans are already in the works for next year, scheduled for May 29-31, 1998. Mark your calendars, classes ending in 3s and 8s!

The Alumni Board of Directors held elections this spring as the two-year term of office expires June 30 for three members. Outgoing Vice President for the Alumni Fund Patricia Branstetter Revere '63 was succeeded by Irene Lundy Brown '39; outgoing Vice President for Chapters Kemetia Foley '87 was succeeded by Nancy Powell Sykes '62; and outgoing Vice President for Reunion Weekend Darnell Horio DeMasters '84 was succeeded by Merrilyn Sawyer Dodson '68. Our thanks and best wishes are extended to those retiring alumni board members, and we look forward to working with the incoming alumni. In 1998, the offices of president-elect, vice president for finance, and vice president for classes will be open; if you would like to make a nomination to the alumni board, please write, call, fax, or e-mail the alumni office.

In other alumni board business, the board has voted unanimously to establish, for the first time at the College, a four-year, merit-based full scholarship. It is an ambitious goal, as each scholarship will require a minimum endowment of approximately $170,000. Seed money in the amount of $50,000 has been transferred to the MWC Foundation for this purpose, and the alumni board plans another significant contribution. Our ultimate goal is to establish six or more full scholarships, and, with your help, we can make this happen. Prestigious full scholarships such as this can be a magnet for the very best students, which further enhances the College's image. Each alumnus has a vested interest in the continuing quality of this institution, as the extrinsic value of your own diploma rises and falls with the College's reputation.

The alumni board has embarked on a comprehensive examination of our mission and goals as we develop a strategic plan that will allow us to best serve the College. Our biennial leadership conference, scheduled for October, will address this effort. Also to be incorporated in the leadership conference will be the findings of the College Image and Stafford Name Committee, a college-wide committee charged by the Board of Visitors to study the College's current image, and to develop a name for the new campus facility in Stafford County. Nine of the 25 committee members are alumni, so our interests are widely represented. The committee so far has held focus groups, and has developed and mailed surveys to current students, prospective students, faculty, and the foundation board. The alumni survey was mailed in August to 1,000 alumni selected at random, with the alumni board focus group scheduled for September.

Fall Homecoming will take place Saturday, October 25, the targeted audience being the classes from 1987-1997. The Class of 1992 will have its fifth-year reunion celebration at Homecoming.

Virginia Governor George Allen recently announced three appointments to the Board of Visitors for 1997. Abas Adenan '85 of Annandale has been reappointed to a second four-year term. He is a former assistant dean of admissions at MWC and is currently a human resources consultant for Adnet/Accountnet, Inc.

The two new appointees are Suellen Grant Knowles '63 of Alexandria and Kimberly Palmer '89 of Henrico. Ms. Knowles is a branch manager of Fairfax Bank and Trust, and Ms. Palmer is a legislative aide to Delegate Eric Cantor (R-Henrico). Both women have extensive portfolios of civic activities. We welcome them back to the College and eagerly await the opportunity to work with them.

One of the most important functions of the alumni board each year is to identify and make recommendations to the Governor's office concerning the three openings on the Board of Visitors, which is the policy-making and governing board of the College. Mary Washington is unique among Virginia state-assisted institutions in that it is mandated that our 12-member board must have a minimum of six alumni. Desirable qualities for BOV nominees would include strong, proven leadership with an emphasis on vision, sincere interest in the College's welfare, and sufficient time to devote to the task, as this is a working board.

Please assist the alumni board in identifying suitable candidates for nominations to the Board of Visitors, the alumni board, and for alumni awards. Nominations never close. We can be reached at the Office of Alumni Relations, P.O. Box 1315 College Station, Fredericksburg, VA 22402-1315; telephone (540) 654-1011; FAX (540) 654-1075; e-mail alumni@mwc.edu.

Terrie Young Crawley '77
President, MWC Alumni Association

Hofer Challenge Gets Resounding "Yes"!

Florian "Red" Hofer has often referred to Mary Washington as Virginia's premier liberal arts institution. To inspire the College's friends and supporters, Red and Janet Hofer issued Mary Washington's first-ever challenge gift. The $100,000 challenge is meant to encourage others to match the amount in new or increased unrestricted gifts, and it energized the entire fall Phonathon. As a call to answer the Hofer Challenge went out, literally, to thousands of alumni, friends, and parents, student callers had an added incentive. As Phonathon chairman Abby Baird observed, "We're in the seat that's raising the money for ourselves, and many others like us to come, so meeting this challenge is really important."

When the students explained that a new or increased gift could have double the impact for Mary Washington, friends of the College agreed that the offer was too good to refuse. They not only met the challenge, but exceeded it by more than double.

More than 4,100 supporters responded with qualifying gifts totaling $226,250. To get a sense of the impact of the Hofer Challenge on new or increased giving, one need only recall that the total number of gifts for 1995-96 was 4,300. The increase effected by the Hofer Challenge raised that total to a record 5,300.

Those 5,000-plus donors had a major impact on unrestricted giving, which rose from $460,000 to more than $650,000. That impressive figure represents an increase of 33 percent.

The matching funds provided by the Hofers are being used to establish an endowment to nurture academic excellence through support of faculty and student activities of special merit.

The Hofers' wish to enhance and assure excellence at the College is coming true, thanks to the generosity of the hundreds of people who joined them in meeting today's most urgent needs while laying the foundation for a financially secure future.

Nominations to the Board of Visitors

The Alumni Association is soliciting recommendations for positions on the College's Board of Visitors. The Nominations to the Board of Visitors Committee reviews each nomination and provides a slate of suggested candidates to the Executive Committee of the Alumni Association's Board of Directors. Once this slate is approved, it is presented to the Governor's Office for consideration.

Please submit recommendations to: Office of Alumni Relations, MWC, P.O. Box 1315, Fredericksburg, VA 22402-1315.

Awards Committee Seeks Nominees

The Alumni Awards Committee seeks nominations for the following honors: Distinguished Alumnus Award, Mary Washington College Service Award and Young Alumnus Merit Award. The Alumni Association solicits nominations for these awards on an ongoing basis.

Please submit your nominations to: Office of Alumni Relations, MWC, P.O. Box 1315, Fredericksburg, VA 22402-1315.

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It's a way to help the College while incorporating **substantial tax relief** in your estate and financial planning.

Have you considered establishing a scholarship at Mary Washington?

By endowing a scholarship fund, you can generate many benefits, both for the wise management of your financial affairs and for a legacy that will endure as long as Mary Washington College.

Endowing a scholarship can be accomplished by several means, including outright gifts of cash or appreciated assets such as stock, or a planned gift. There are many estate-planning options which can establish incomes for you and your beneficiaries, while providing for the future funding of an endowed scholarship at the College.

Establishing an endowed scholarship is an excellent way to dedicate your resources toward a purpose which you hold important. It provides very favorable tax advantages for managing the assets of your estate while also supporting the College with moneys that would otherwise revert to the federal government.

If you would like to discuss the establishment of an endowed scholarship, or you are interested in exploring ways in which charitable gift planning can benefit you and your family, as well as countless generations of Mary Washington students, please contact:

Valerie Schultheiss Kuramoto
Director of Planned and
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Jean Pfeifle joins Katherine Lulfs '97 at the Heritage Society-Scholarship Luncheon, held in April at Mary Washington. Katherine received the Jeannine Mary Pfeifle Scholarship, established by Jean and Dick Pfeifle in memory of their daughter, a former Mary Washington College student.

Mrs. Pfeifle's praise of the endowed scholarship program at Mary Washington is enthusiastic. "It's a pleasure to me to know that our scholarship has helped outstanding young women like Katherine with their academic careers," she said. "It brings me a great deal of joy knowing that we've made a real difference."

Video: A Community of Learning

If you've longed to make a return visit but haven't yet been able to fit it into your plans, we have an alternative suggestion that may be the next-best thing.

Mary Washington College: A Community of Learning is the first in a series of videos that highlights what's best about this wonderful place, with special emphasis on some of the most recent innovations and programs. It also showcases the campus in full fall colors, complete with students and sunshine.

If you'd like to view *A Community of Learning*, just let us know. Call Kathryn Willis at (540)654-2072, or write her at

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Better yet, call up your old college roommate or some alumni in your area, and share it!

Left to right: Kathryn Reynolds Willis '70, Valerie Kuramoto and Brian O'Rourke

Introducing MWC's Development Staff

The lovely home on Trench Hill that serves as headquarters for the Alumni Association and for college advancement has several new people who've joined the Mary Washington family. The three new staffers, Valerie Kuramoto, Brian O'Rourke, and Kathryn Willis, are impressed with the quality and the academic reputation of the College, and are enthusiastic about contributing to its development.

Valerie Schultheiss Kuramoto is Mary Washington's new director of planned and leadership giving. Ms. Kuramoto's responsibilities include securing financial support for major college projects and programs, with particular emphasis on gifts that are part of donors' long-term financial plans. One of her first duties is to develop a series of financial planning workshops focusing on the special needs of women.

Kuramoto comes to Mary Washington from Cornell University in Ithaca, New York, where she served as director for alumni affairs and development for the Department of Physical Education and Athletics. During her nine-year tenure at Cornell, she worked in public affairs and fund raising, and played an active role in a $1.5 billion capital campaign that was successfully completed in December 1995. Ms. Kuramoto holds a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Scranton (Pa.), and a master's in communication from Cornell.

She also participates in church activities, including stewardship and choir. Her leisure interests include golf, downhill skiing and swimming. For several years, she and her husband, Steve, have co-chaired the gymnastics competition for New York state's Special Olympics.

The new director of annual giving, J. Brian O'Rourke, was director of annual giving and records at St. Andrew's Episcopal School in Bethesda, Md., where he was responsible for all aspects of the school's annual fund, as well as database management. O'Rourke received a bachelor's degree in history from Tufts University in Medford, Mass. He also held positions at Georgetown Preparatory School, in North Bethesda, Md., and at the Economic Development Institute of the World Bank in Washington, D.C.

Here O'Rourke directs programs for annual fund raising, including the President's Council, the Parents Fund, Reunion Giving, and the Senior Challenge. His initial emphasis will be on expanding the role of class giving, particularly through the work of reunion volunteers. O'Rourke is a licensed private pilot and a member of the Civil Air Patrol. He is training for emergency services, and enjoys cross-country skiing.

Kathryn Reynolds Willis '70 is the College's new director of marketing. Willis coordinates publications and video presentations, and serves as market researcher for the Office of College Advancement. Willis formerly served as communications specialist for Rappahannock Electric Cooperative, where she was responsible for communications and for coordination of special events. While at Rappahannock, she earned several awards, including two national second places for best overall communications program from the Council of Rural Communicators. She holds a bachelor's degree in French from Mary Washington College and a master's in English from Virginia Tech. She is a past member of Mary Washington's alumni board.

Her interests include downhill skiing, bicycling, art museums and regional arts activities. She also freelances as an arts writer. She recently co-chaired the statewide Virginia Press Women's conference, held at Mary Washington in April, and serves on the board of Virginians for the Arts, a statewide arts advocacy organization.

Class Notes

Devil and Goat Notes

1931

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1932

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1933

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Mary Virginia Willson
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1936

Ethel Nelson Wetmore
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Mary Frances Rowe Varner stays busy with her usual activities: volunteer work at the National Cathedral, committee work at the Sulgrave Club and various benefit committees. She went to Ireland for 12 days in June with a Sweet Briar College group. The trip centered on visits to houses and gardens, and they spent several days in Dublin. Mary Frances is increasingly impressed with what the College is doing and with the outstanding speakers who take part in the forums.

Vernie Blankinship Knight and Bus plan to move to a retirement home. Bus celebrated his 90th birthday last February.

Edna Harley Sickela wrote a message on her card thanking us for our "interesting description of the 60th Reunion." This year Edna sent a card with a large reproduced painting of a cardinal by wildlife artist Alan M. Hunt. Her cardinal cards have come for many years. Edna wishes someone would invent an "energy" pill. So do I!

However, I am still feeling energized from the phone calls I made this morning to **Page Whitehead Hladky** and **Louise Jennings Creamer**. In April Page visited son Stephen and his family in Cambridge, England, for two weeks and was in York for one week. She drove to Maryland in February and Maine in June for a visit with friends. Page works in the flower gardens around the building she lives in and does volunteer work. All of Louise's California family came to see her this year.

Adelle Mansfield Goodwin writes that she is "happy as a clam" living in the Orange Retirement Home. One Christmas activity followed another. Her daughter, Judy, and son-in-law, Ray, are living in Virginia again. Adelle wrote that **Edna Lovering Roe** resides in assisted living at Westminster at Lake Ridge, not far from Washington, D.C. Edna has her 15-year-old Siamese cat, Coco, with her, and she is an affectionate companion for Edna.

Dorothy McGuire Bunch recently visited **Marjorie Dement Britton**, who is temporarily in a nursing home in Richmond.

Mary Sue DuPriest Spencer and her husband took quite a few trips when they retired. Their son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter live in Richmond, and they visit them often. They attend all the U.Va. football games.

Audrey Rose Burton sent me the first letter she has written in months. She has had the worst spell of sickness of her whole life. Audrey had serious spinal surgery in November. In December, she broke her ankle and went back to the hospital for surgery. Her knee wasn't healing, so she went back to the hospital for knee surgery. In April she wrote, "The golden years are not what we expected them to be." We hope you have fully recovered, Audrey.

Dorothy Bevard Owen '37 has moved to the Cederville Retirement Center in Richmond, but she is keeping her home in Yale, Va.

The card from **Lilliam Nordstrom Love** reminded me of the time almost 50 years ago when I was invited to a Brownie Scout mother's tea at her home. I didn't know the leader was my former classmate at MWC, and we ate at the same table our freshman year!

Arline Wade Winn wrote me a long letter after the reunion. She was a transfer student from Blackstone College for Girls and attended the summer session of 1935, the regular 1935-36 session and then graduated in August 1936. She worked for Dr. Alvey while at the College. One son, Everett, is a CPA in Richmond, and the other son, Tom, is manager of the computer department for Atlantic Insurance Company in Roanoke. A daughter died at age 6 in 1957. Since Arline retired in 1978, she has completed about 4,000 hours of volunteer work at Southside Community Hospital. She promoted the local library's growth, serving on the board of directors and as treasurer. Over $150,000 was put into the vacant building which Peebles Co. gave them, plus a lot of free labor. Arline's grandsons are now 15 and 12. She enjoyed the 43 years of teaching and still misses the students. She continues with volunteer work.

My family came from San Francisco, Chicago and Richmond to be with my eldest daughter, Elizabeth (Betsy), and her husband for Christmas in Washington, D.C. There were 14 of us. My granddaughter, Sally Wetmore, is a freshman at Knox College, Galesburg, Ill. She is a Merit Scholarship finalist.

Thank you to those of you who wrote to me or talked on the phone. How about writing to me with news to be published in the next issue?

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1938

Helen Pressley Voris
6086 Old Lawyers Hill Road
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Mary T. Kettenbeck Gademan, living in Farmington, Conn., spent part of the year with her daughter in Marietta, Ga. Paulanne returned her visit in November, and when Mary T. visited there for Christmas, she took Connecticut weather with her — they had their first snowfall in Marietta in years.

The annual Christmas letter from **Skip Milstead** and husband George indicates the usual busy year. George still serves as class agent at Washington and Lee, and after almost 60 years in the same position, I can appreciate the difficulty in "keeping up." They both serve on the advisory council at the Warm Springs Rehab Center. They were glad to leave the hosting of various aspects of the Olympics to son Clark while they escaped to meander through the western part of the country for four weeks.

Jean Plante McCulloch may be visiting the East Coast in 1997. Let's hope they will visit me and we can talk old times.

A note from **Zonie Compton Keylor** brought greetings from Florida. **Alice Rife Wilson** and husband Jack were visiting their daughter in Chapel Hill when last I heard from them.

Ex-roommate **Helen Hyde Saunders** '39 celebrated her 80th birthday with a cruise from Acapulco through the canal to Florida, thence to Boston for a celebration with family. Helen still lives in Walnut Creek, Calif., and maintains a cabin in the mountains.

Mary Jack Clary Brooke visited Las Vegas, the Grand Canyon, Hoover Dam and the Glen Canyon Dam. Her daughter, Julie, accompanied her. Her second knee replacement went well. She enjoys family reunions, the new grandchildren, the weddings and the activities many of us enjoy at this age. A group tour took her to Branson, Mo., where she saw the Rockettes without going to New York.

Doris Lafoon Johnson Jones is now a widow with the usual problems of aging. She stays active in church and neighborhood. Doris gave me my first boyish bob haircut in 1936.

As for the Voris family, there is only the daily news we all have. I am still living alone on my three-plus acres. It keeps me busy. Sally lives some 10 minutes south just off Route One, and I see her and grandson Alex often. All the children still come home for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Their computer talk makes me know how a minority feels. The boys are urging me to surf the net, but I am not willing to spend time that way, though it may be interesting. I think of all the time I spent digging for information that is now available by touching several buttons. I still write rhyming verse — still out of fashion, though several have been published.

That brings to mind a letter from **Jessie Crockett Hopkins**, who is similarly addicted. She enclosed one of hers and an account of their 50th anniversary celebration. Her account of her family sounds as though her grandsons could almost field a football team.

Keep the news coming!

1939

Nancy Herr Fallen
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I'm waiting to hear from 22 of the 25 cards I mailed requesting personal news of unforgotten classmates. I am grateful beyond measure to the three who responded.

Frances Bolen Rees, who has been a widow for eight years, continues to make her home at Keithland Farm in Markham, Va. However, the farm is satisfactorily rented. Her church is an active one, and she participates in many of the activities. Prior to her husband's death, they had wonderful trips together. Frances taught primary grades for 33 years. She has a son, two grandsons and a granddaughter — a wonderful family.

Church activities keep **Marjorie Horner Webber** busy, too, as pianist and choir director. Also, she and her husband are hikers. Every Wednesday, rain or shine, warm or cold, they hike, usually in the mountains. Their group has hiked in England, Scotland, Arizona and, last winter, at Virginia Beach. Marjorie retired as principal of Broadus Island School in Albemarle County. She and her husband have two sons and twin daughters, all grown.

From Fort Myers, Fla., **Susan Woodward Pearson** is enjoying retirement on Easy Street — no kidding. She and her husband have traveled extensively. They have been to the Orient, United Kingdom, Costa Rica, Peru, all 50 states, Mexico and Canada and have cruised in Europe, the inter-coastal waterways and the Panama Canal. Their next trip is up the Mississippi River for Christmas. They also travel to see their two children, eight grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

It was my privilege to attend The Heritage Society and Scholarship Luncheon at MWC in April. There I met two very impressive scholarship recipients and saw familiar faces from our college days: Dr. Alvey, **Irene Lundy Brown**, **Jane Hatcher Major** '40, **Rosella Turk Davidson** '40, and a friend of my sister's, **Mary Virginia Willson** '34. Believe me, you can be proud of the scholarship we established in the name of Eileen Kramer Dodd.

Miriam Carpenter Carroll and I have talked by phone several times. She's a very busy lady, with her volunteer services at the Smithsonian and the Capitol. Her travel plans for this year are a trip to Newfoundland and Labrador. Miriam was my source of information concerning the deaths of our classmates, **Doris O'Brien Dingeldein** in March and **Kathryn Taylor Norsworthy** in April. It is important for the Alumni Office to receive such information. Also, **Irene Lundy Brown**'s husband died in February. We share the loss and sympathize with the families of these friends.

I truly welcome your letters. Please keep my mailbox full.

1940

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Margaret McCulloch Sherertz, who lives in Charlotte, N.C., sent sad news of several classmates. **Ruth Cheshire Kleina** passed away in 1995 in up-state New York. Ruth was president of our class three times.

Lee Wingate Keith Pappandreou passed away in January 1997. Lee Wingate was an active drama major and was president of the drama club her senior year. She taught in a high school in Fredericksburg.

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1943

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1944

Jayne Anderson Bell
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This is the day the Lord has made,
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

There are so many reasons for rejoicing. Finding your letters in the mail box is a source of real joy for me.

Betty (Helvey) Livestine, after many years of widowhood, is now happily married to Edwin Schmidt. The wedding was an interesting family affair. Helvey's oldest son performed the ceremony. Her middle son did all the arranging of the rehearsal dinner and wedding, and her youngest son was the photographer. All three sons are married. Helvey has nine grandchildren.

Louise Cook Cabot hosted a mini-reunion with her college roommates at her home in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. **Sally Addison Jacob** flew in from Virginia Beach, Va., and **Ann Foster Kelleher** flew down from Alexandria, Va. It was their first get-together in 54 years.

From **Leah Fleet Waller**: "T. and I have been at the new retirement center in Richmond, Cedarfield, since September 1996. We have a cottage and, since T. still works, we live pretty much the same — only much smaller quarters (thank the Lord; so glad to give all that heavy furniture to the children) and many fewer responsibilities. The dining room's delicious food is a special treat. We will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary this next January, God willing. Weekends are spent in our home in Irvington, Va., where many of our relatives also have homes."

Virginia Hawley Butler enjoyed having **Helen Hawley Farmer**'s family for the Tech./U.Va. game and for Thanksgiving last year. Virginia and five friends went to England, Wales and Ireland in May.

Jean Ford Bates writes, "Paul and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary in September 1996 with a party given by our three daughters and their families. Among our guests were **Jean Krout Haberle** and Jack from Lancaster, Pa. Our granddaughter is interested in applying to MWC next year."

From **Ruth Samuel Legnini**: "I enjoy reading anything you accrue in the months between newsletters. It is so exciting to read of all the progress at Mary Washington and to see the pictures of the lovely campus. It just seems to get better and better. The biggest news in our family is that our granddaughter has chosen to go to U.Va. Her mother, **Anne Legnini Francher** '74 and her father, Charles (U.Va. '74) are delighted. Our son, Bob, is U.Va. '71. Virginia has its grip on our family. I continue to be active in the garden, volunteer work and online with the computer, plus keeping up with the rest of my life. Best wishes to everyone in the Class of '44."

Phillis Dunbar McIntyre, "woman on the go" visiting children, five grandchildren and now two great-grands, also had three days visiting her college roommate, **Marge Martell Balius**, and husband Al in Biloxi, Miss. "Was a great visit, talking non-stop. Now I'm planning where to go to escape the summer heat of the desert."

Cena Carswell remarks, as do many of you, how she enjoys this column, and how good it is that the Class of '44 is so responsive. Cena and husband Harold celebrated their 55th anniversary in April. She doesn't even feel older than 55. They were planning a trip to Scotland and Ireland with their daughter and son-in-law in July.

Christine Hall Herndon faithfully responded to my reminder that she has promised to give us a rundown on their safari in Kenya and Tanzania. She wrote: "It was great. First stop was Amsterdam for three days where we enjoyed a walking tour, various museums and a trip to nearby fishing villages. Then on to Kenya, to Mosai, Mara and Ambrosdi National Park. The lodges were excellent, the food wonderful and the animals fantastic. The roads were rough, however. Then we went into Tansania and the Serengiti and the Ngorongore crater with its 30,000 animals. At a restaurant in Nairobi we were served about 10 different kinds of meat including crocodile, hartebeast and zebra!"

Jane Brownley Thomas wrote that **Nancy Duval Andrews** and her family spent Easter vacation in Bermuda, and reports that **Hazel (Tommy) Strong Morris** "spent two months in Florida." We rejoice that Tommy's knee and back are feeling much better. Nancy wrote that **Loraine Green Gillette**, "an avid golfer, is winning titles up and down the east coast."

Frances Farrell Fletcher writes: "**Mary Griffin Underwood** and I continue our happy practice of meeting **Adele Goyne Maxwell** and **Jean Ford Bates** for a day of catching up on our families and reminiscing about our MWC years."

It was wonderful to receive the first letter for the season from **Alice Graves Russell**, who lives on Lake Anna, Va. She is a retired elementary principal and a widow since 1990. She has traveled occasionally with her son, Jim, and his wife.

Marie Kennedy Robins, former "stay-at-home," now travels. She is going to Ireland and Tuscany. Her poem, "Volunteer Mourner," appears in the anthology, *I am Becoming the Woman I Wanted*.

Marguerite Buchanan Jacques is off to Bermuda aboard the Norwegian Cruise Line's *Dreamward*, "praying for nice weather."

Mary Ann Meyer Woody writes, "1995 was a year of good and bad things in our family. Our 45-year-old son, Bill, died in September of lung cancer. He was such a great guy! Sarah, our youngest daughter, became engaged in December. John and I have been fortunate to have all of our seven children living in the Richmond area. We have many parties celebrating birthdays. We have 11 grandchildren, so we really have a crowd when we get together. I have been talking MWC to my 14-year-old granddaughter, Heather. She is an honor student and award-winning cheerleader. She seems interested. Love to the Class of '44."

Ilva Harris Haynie and her family "enjoyed a delightful autumn in Virginia with visits to Williamsburg and Richmond." Several MWC alumnae live in her area and are members of her

golf and bridge clubs. She serves as receptionist at historic Christ Church in Irvington, Va.

Elizabeth Cumby Murray writes: "We just returned to Nantucket after three months at Key Largo Anglers' Club in Florida. Had a beautiful winter, played lots of duplicate bridge and socialized. Best of all, we stayed healthy!"

Susie Walder Wanner: "This is a long overdue letter. Since 1944 I taught in Staunton, Winchester and Annapolis schools until 1952, when I married Vance Wanner, a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy. Between 1952 and 1962 we moved around. We had four children, and I now have six grandchildren. In 1962 Vance suffered a heart attack and retired; he died in 1977. I went back to teaching in 1970 and taught in the Fairfax diploma program until my retirement in 1991. In 1982 I received my master's from U.Va. Since my retirement, I have traveled extensively in Europe, the Far East, Hawaii and the American west.

I am active at St. Luke's Church in Alexandria, in the Diocesan Episcopal Church Women and as a member of the education honorary fraternity, Alpha Delta Kappa. I enjoy Kennedy Center concerts, gardening and reading."

I am sad to report the loss of my classmate and friend, **Anne Marshall Morgan**, who died in March 1997. Most of her life she endured muscular dystrophy, yet had an engaging, happy personality and sweet spirit. Anne was a music major at MWC and sang in the Carillon Trio and the Victory Chorus. She lived to be in her 70s and was the oldest survivor in the United States with her form of M.D. We will miss her, but rejoice that she is free of disability and pain and that she is now with her beloved husband, Wayne, and her Lord.

1945

Virginia Gunn Blanton
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Since the sunshine and flowers and green, green grass and perfect cool climate have all conspired to keep me from writing this on a perfectly beautiful spring day in Virginia, I have hauled out annuals and other reminders of those long ago years 1941-45. Now my thoughts are attuned to the task at hand.

Fran Watts Barker and Jack have returned from Florida, where they go in March each year. They have a grandson attending Old Dominion U. and one in high school on the Eastern Shore, as well as two grandchildren in Virginia Beach and two in Hawaii.

Ruth Smith Stanley and her clergyman husband, Sam, live in Richmond and are very much involved with their four children, their spouses and seven grandchildren. Ruth is a retired library clerk with the Fairfax County public school system.

Ruby Thomson Secor is supremely happy in her mountain home at Banco, Va., where she is active in church work and in other volunteer activities.

Jackie Van Gaasbeek has as her motto "To Dance is to Live — To Live is to Dance." Florida in the winter and Cape Cod in the summer are her homes now that she has retired from the U. of Connecticut. She has had the opportunity of dancing with such greats as Jose Limon, Martha Graham, Doris Humphrey and Mary Wigman.

Ellen Trimble Morton and Bob, a retired Army colonel, enjoy visiting children and grandchildren all over the country. Ellen entered the Virginia State Golden Olympics in 1994 and won seven gold medals in swimming. Golfing, bowling, opera and dancing are current activities. Perhaps Dr. Kelly's "Body Improvement" class prepared Ellen for all this.

Betty Onley Klauber lives in Greenwood, S.C., where she and her husband, a retired radiologist, enjoy their married sons and seven grandchildren.

Jean Keener Cence lives in Lancaster, Pa., with her husband, now retired from his printing company. Watercolor painting, golf, travel, church work and volunteering at Lancaster General Hospital all keep her extremely busy as she enjoys retirement.

Gloria Keppler is another volunteerer, golfer and traveler. After receiving her bachelor of science degree at MWC, she went back to school and earned her master's in business administration at Rutgers in 1958.

Ruth Hurley Nicholson is a true environmentalist with her love of nature, wildlife, flowers, trees, gardening, landscaping, fishing and animals. She and her husband reside in Wake Forest, N.C.

Josephine Bruno Edmundson of Levittown, N.Y., is an avid photographer, taking part in photography shows, exhibits, local library shows and lectures. She is an ophthalmic nurse by profession. After MWC, she received her doctorate in English at Columbia U. She has three children and five grandchildren.

Mary Lou Conover Miller and Bob live in sunny California, but enjoy a wonderful stay in France each summer. She sees **Imogene Garrett** and **Claire Caldwell**, who attended MWC one year. Mary Lou's daughter, Peggy, was married in June 1995.

Mildred Savedge retired from NASA in 1986 after 31 years. After receiving her bachelor of science degree in music education in 1945, she studied mathematics and physical science at Old Dominion U. and the U.Va. extension at Langley (NASA). Music and singing are still her joys.

I have a graduation to attend this month — my granddaughter finished at U.Va., and another one finishes at Virginia Tech next May. Still five more to go. In addition to grandchildren, I stay involved with Children's Hospital (fashion shows and marts) and Maymont (carriage collection and the mansion).

With all of us enjoying the good life of retirement, travel, civic activities and especially our families, I would say that we can agree that Mary Washington served us well. To help our College to continue that tradition of excellence now widely recognized, we must support it with our contributions. And go back to visit — you will be glad you did.

1946

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I have been disappointed that few classmates have sent news since I took the job of class agent. Without news, it is difficult to fill the space for our class. In four more years we celebrate our 55th homecoming. Keep your spirits up for MWC and for your classmates so we can all celebrate in 2001.

In the winter issue of *MWC TODAY*, all alumni should read with pride about the great reputation Mary Washington is forging among schools in the United States. It is through our generosity that we can make it possible to maintain the reputation that MWC has achieved. Mary Washington ranks with the nations most prestigious schools and is a "best value" among its peers. Your gift becomes increasingly important as the College's funding from the Commonwealth of Virginia continues to shrink.

Carolyn Rohr Huebner is serving as president of the Society of Virginia in the Capital Area, who sponsored a tour of the White House and Supreme Court in December 1996. Two classmates, **Miriam (Mim) Riggs Gay** and **Mildred (Mickey) Dixon Sullivan** took one of the tours sponsored by the society. Mim is retired from the Children's Home Society of Virginia, an adoption agency. She enjoys reading, music, church work and especially her three children. She is the widow of Thomas Gay, a lawyer. Mickey worked as a library secretary until retirement in 1990. She enjoys her children, a son and three daughters. She stays active by walking and playing tennis.

Janice Worsley Mayberry sent a picture of her family, 16 in all, taken at Nags Head, N.C., in summer 1996. It included four sons, their wives and seven grandchildren.

Ann Briesmaster Robertson's church held a homecoming in August 1996. The guest speaker was Purnell Bailey, retired Methodist minister and husband of **Betty Lou Loftis Bailey**. **Ann Wood Hilldrup** and Gordon celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in November 1996. **Betsy Hilldrup Morris** and her family attended, even though Betsy rarely leaves her home due to health reasons.

Elizabeth Vaughan Pritchett has a new grandson. Elizabeth's daughter, Beth, lives in San Jose, Calif. Elizabeth will be visiting often, as her only granddaughter, Emily, is there also. Elizabeth also tutors students in third grade at White Rock Elementary in Richardson Independent School District.

Elizabeth Stallings Sharpe wrote in her Christmas card that Coy was diagnosed with colon cancer. He underwent surgery and is recovering while receiving chemotherapy. Elizabeth keeps very busy arranging trips to local plays for senior adults. She gets her exercise in aquatics and chair aerobics classes.

The pediatric clinic at Kenner Army Community Hospital at Fort Lee was dedicated in June in honor of Dr. **Vivian Wilkerson**, the retired chief of pediatric services at Kenner. Vivian, who furthered her training at MCV, worked at Kenner for 33 years. In the dedication speech, she was said to have excelled well beyond expectations in providing service to two generations of children. She was characterized by her calm and warm demeanor. When she first went to the clinic, she was not only the only female but the only civilian. She plans to spend her retirement traveling, singing in her church choir and volunteering for some kind of medical work.

Jean Purviance Stevenson in Portsmouth, Va., continues to use her love of music in her retirement years. She sings in the church choir and club choruses. She also plays in a handbell group.

Marion Ewing Funk is retired from church youth work. She and husband Robert, a retired naturalist, reside in Amelia, Ohio. They enjoy genealogy, ballroom dancing, reading, church work and travel.

Carolyn Ford Duncan of Hamilton, Va., and husband Fred have two daughters, Danette and Lavonne. Danette's daughter is a 1994 graduate of MWC. Carolyn stays busy in retirement by gardening, arranging flowers, sewing and traveling.

Virginia Fry Ely taught science for 37 years in Lee County, Va. She is an active member of the Methodist church in Pennington Gap, Va., where she has sung in the choir for 52 years.

I was pleased to receive a note of thanks for the write-up of our 50th homecoming from **Pat Mathewson Spring**. She lives in Kensington, Conn., and has been skiing up in the Vermont mountains.

1947

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The Class of 1947 wants to thank the Alumni Association for the careful planning and execution of our reunion. It was a perfect weekend, and we all had a wonderful time meeting our classmates again after 50 years. At last count, 47 plus many husbands attended. On behalf of our class, I wish also to thank **Lorraine Goedde Bull** for putting together a splendid reunion booklet. She is retired after 33 years as a kindergarten teacher. She has done a great deal of world-wide traveling as well as participating in Elderhostels.

June Ashton Steppe has been widowed for almost 24 years and keeps busy with her church activities and six grandchildren. **Anne Barbour Carvil** and her husband enjoy vacationing at Duck, N.C., especially with their three children and four grandsons. Anne and her roommate, **Aileen Robbins Hiflin**, have been friends since the second grade, and today both families often travel together. **Aida Beltran Forte** attended the reunion from Puerto Rico. **Joan Briggs Glaser** and her husband divide their time between Daytona Beach, Fla., and Dennis, Mass., on Cape Cod.

Another retired teacher and widow is **Margaret Ann Brown Cox**, who keeps busy with church activities, bridge and hand work. **Robbie Carter Doswell** and husband have three sons and six granddaughters. They divide their time between the Northern Neck in Virginia, where they see **Elsie Reed Kilduff Simmons**, and the Florida Keys. Elsie and her husband, Jim, have been back in the Northern Neck for nine years. Elsie grows roses and enjoys boating, church and reading.

Your class agent, **Georgia Chryssikos Witt**, was widowed in 1967; retired from teaching physical education in 1984; lives at Lake of the Woods, Va.; has two children and two grandchildren; and plays golf and enjoys crafts and gardening. The highlight of the reunion for Georgia was seeing roommate **Vin Godwin Munford** after 30 years. Vin was accompanied by her husband, Les. They have three daughters and one son.

Gloria Conte Keith, whose niece was graduated from MWC in 1968, has two daughters. **Patricia Draz Glaser** and husband, now retired, have four children and nine grandchildren. Patricia has been active in the sport of curling and now plays golf. **Jean Drummond Broaddus**, a retired postal employee, and husband have five children and eight grandchildren.

Margaret Ann Estes Hupp is a happily married housewife whose husband is retired. They have two sons. **Laulie Friedlin Richardson** and husband Norwood, who celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary in January 1997, have six children and eleven grandchildren. They enjoy motor home traveling.

Beth Fulk Strider has not learned to say "no" to volunteering. She also keeps busy with three sons, gardening, antiquing, music, civic activities and cooking. **Barbara Good Lampe** and husband Bob have two children and several grandchildren. She enjoys golf, bridge and hospital work.

Our condolences to **Margueritte Coffigon Jennings** on the death of her husband. She now resides in Memphis, Tenn., and has three grandsons.

Another alumni committee member to be thanked is **Alice Griesar Blain**. She is also a very busy retiree with many volunteer activities. **Barbara Gustafson Baker**, who likes working in medical-related fields, has a granddaughter and twin grandsons. **Barbara Hansen Webb** lived in Rio de Janiero for three years but now lives in Clinton, Conn., in a home built in 1775. She enjoys cooking, gardening and, needless to say, antiques.

Cary Harding, also retired, attended the reunion from Reedville, Va. **Nancy Heffernan Bounds** has enjoyed seeing a great deal of Europe as an Army wife. She and her husband have three children — the youngest, Jane, was graduated from MWC in 1983. **Margaret Hill Tjeltveit** writes of attending the marriage of her son, Alan, to Maria Washington Eddy, a descendant of Mary Washington.

Phyllis Horton Kent and husband Glenn have two children and three grandchildren. Her lifelong love of learning is evidenced by her interest in genealogy, museums and modern European history. **Carolyn Johnson Lingenfelser** and husband Edward, who retired from NASA, have three children and four grandchildren. She is a retired teacher and enjoys swimming and bridge.

Edith (Gay) Levi Scannell and husband Joseph have three children and live in Pittsboro, N.C. **Doris Lippold Burns** and husband are retired from the U.S. government and have three children and seven grandchildren. She enjoys golf, bridge, reading and travel. **Jean McCausland Lyle** and husband James have two children. Jean keeps busy with church, gardening, golf, women's club and grandchildren.

One of **Conchita deMedio Gilbertson**'s children, Bonita, was graduated from MWC in 1976 and is a Braille transcriber. **Mary Nuckols Haydon** lives in Richmond, Va., with her husband and two children.

Annie Patterson Gardner's first grandchild was born in July 1996. Her husband, Edward, is deceased. She keeps busy with church, a book group and an investment group. **Virginia Pinchbeck Covington** married Ben, a familiar figure on campus, and she "fondly remembers dating — even on campus — with Mrs. Bushnell looking out for us." They have four children, and love retirement, trips and tending grandchildren occasionally.

Betty Proctor Groseclose retired in 1992 as executive secretary to the chairman and CEO for Universal Corporation. She enjoys golf and is currently chairwoman of LGA of Willow Oaks Country Club. **Carmen Rodriguez Costa** and husband Jose celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in December 1996 with their two daughters and their granddaughter.

Elizabeth Savage Stephens has four children. Her career work has been in teaching, National Public Radio and *USA Today*. Retirement time has been spent playing tennis, reading and fishing. **Helen Schier Drury** and husband Frederick attended an Elderhostel at MWC in 1988. Her career was in business coast to coast for 10 years and in foreign service for another 10 years. She enjoys photography, travel, horseback riding, golf and square dancing.

Our musician, **Irene Taylor Robinson**, whose husband Robert is deceased, lives at Lake of the Woods, near Fredericksburg. She keeps busy with golf, travel, grandchildren and playing the piano. **Betty Waterfield Thomas**, former owner of Fabric and Craft Shop Antiques, keeps busy with knitting, crocheting, sewing, two children, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Anna White Jones and husband Hugh live in Roanoke, Va., with two children and five grandchildren only two hours north and south. Their traveling has taken them to almost 50 states and 20 European countries. **Sally Wild Upshaw** and husband Dick have four children and five grandchildren. They live on a farm 45 miles southeast of Fredericksburg and would enjoy a visit and/or hearing from MWC friends.

Eighty-eight class members responded to our reunion questionnaires, and some interesting facts have been compiled: 211 children, 110 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren are reported.

1948

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Betsy Robertson and **Anne Barnes Baugh** had a wonderful trip to Turkey in fall 1996. They loved Istanbul, Izmir, Ephesus, Antalya and their tour guide! Since the trip, Betsy has been to Culpeper for a family reunion and went to see **Ashby Griffin Mitchell**.

Ruth Gilmer Huettel has two grandsons in California, and she and Joe spent last Thanksgiving with them.

Betty Bennett Ferguson writes that in 1996, while walking as part of her health program, she stumbled over uneven pavement and tumbled headfirst down a rock embankment. Results: broken jaw and five teeth, fracture in right wrist and stitches across chin and elbow, plus much trauma. However, she lost 13 pounds while her jaw was wired, so she figured some good came of that episode, though she does not recommend this type of weight reduction. She was fit enough to enjoy Elderhostels at Stillwater, Okla., and Santa Fe, N.M., and in August a week at Pawley's Island, S.C., with all the offspring.

Norvell Millner Hodges has turned into the Energizer bunny, keeping very busy, volunteering at Stratford Hall and visiting friends out of town. One of her trips was to see old roomie **Bobbi Ann Hough McConnell** in Essex, Conn., where she and Bobbie had a three-day talkathon. Norvell also traveled to New York City, upstate New York, and Tennessee for some mountain living, canoeing and climbing. Since she has been widowed, she has decided to put her property on the market but does hope to stay in Virginia's Northern Neck, home for 22 years. Coincidentally, I heard from a friend who also lives in Essex that she had met Norvell at a luncheon.

Seeing a lengthy article in the Richmond newspaper about a recent home renovation and realizing that it was **Peggy Tuck Middleton**'s girlhood home, I sent the article to her and received a great note from her in response. She is considering slowing down her work schedule, perhaps somewhat prompted by a back flare-up as well as by the arrival of a new grandson. She has two granddaughters. Summer 1996, Peggy visited England, Ireland and Scotland.

Helen Lowe Eliason wrote from Wilmington, Del., that she doesn't get around much any more, and in the next sentence she noted she traveled to India and Nepal. She sent a brochure of her major interest, the Goodstay Gardens, which evolved from the 1740s, is considered a "storybook garden," and is open to the public in Wilmington.

Nina Giera Schmidt had her second shoulder rotator-cuff repair, which slowed her down but not her golf game. She was in Vermont in October, Bermuda for Thanksgiving, and then wintered in St. Petersburg. Her husband has retired, which has probably brought change into her life.

Vivian Fulton Lamb has toured Europe the last three summers. Travel and her three grandsons keep her busy. She has seen **Mary Bondurant Stevens**.

Miriam (Whickey) Whitley Knight has become a serious competitor at English croquet and spends the winters traveling back and forth to Florida playing in tournaments. She also plays tennis, duplicate bridge, and gardens, plus keeps

up with one granddaughter and four grandsons. Too rarely, she sees **Mabel (Mabs) Royar Loflin**, who lives about 45 minutes away.

Charlotte Byrd Stone Helguera, healthy, retired, public speaker, library consultant and faculty wife is also a traveler, having most recently visited Spain in the spring and Greece in June. She loves Scrabble and Vanderbilt basketball. She stays in touch with **Betty Jane Burton Pennewell** and **Mary Elizabeth Mould Huestis**.

Dr. Jim Baugh, pediatrician son of **Anne Barnes Baugh**, volunteered some time last spring to do volunteer medical work in Haiti and, supreme compliment, asked his mother to go with him! And she did, but first had to decide how she would volunteer her services.

We have all had a great invitation from **Ann Scott**. She lives in New York and would love to see anyone who comes through. And I suppose that offer extends to her spring and summer house in Sag Harbor. Ann has had a great six weeks in southern Florida, and I, for one, like the sound of her lifestyle!

Col. Charles Beale was kind and thoughtful to write me about his wife, **Lunette Harris Beale**. As many of you know, she is a victim of Alzheimer's and has been placed in a nursing home in Farmville, Va. Charlie said she seems very happy there and is receiving excellent care. He also noted how she had always loved Mary Washington and all her classmates. He mentioned that **Alice Cassriel (Cass) Whitman**, **Ann Scott**, **Betsy McAllister Boisseau** and **Rosemary Westerman Butterworth** had all been in constant touch with him.

Amy Neels Nissen has retired from New York farm life. To see relatives, she has made frequent trips to Denmark through the years, with extended tours of Scandinavia. And to balance this northland travel, she has been to Peru. Amy has two sons, one severely injured several years ago in a motorcycle accident, the other the father of her two bright spots, Sam and Abby.

Gene Watkins Covington is still working wonders with music on Virginia's Northern Neck. Her Center for the Arts board is producing "Music Man" and one of her students won the Lions' Band contest. She lunched recently with **Ashby Griffin Mitchell** in Tappahannock and has also seen **Becky Fristoe Goode** frequently.

Alice Fairbrother Myers, widowed in 1991, lives in Spring Hill, Fla., and saw **Helen Singleton Darfus** at an alumni gathering in Orlando last year. Each year she returns to Panama, where she lived for 57 years. Her four children and seven grandchildren all live in Florida — she's luckier than most in that respect.

Martha Gauldin Slusher is a widowed, retired government teacher (from Dahlgren Base School near Fredericksburg) who fills her time with volunteer work, reading, grandchildren and trips to Europe and U.S. national parks. She has been pleased to hear from **Elizabeth Heartwell Parker**, who lives in Concord, N.H.

Ruth Sargent Campbell and her retired husband are now Florida residents but spend their summers in New Hampshire, where they recently bought 40 acres of woodland surrounding their property so that they may blaze trails. She and Wilson lead an outdoor life in Florida — hiking, swimming and being with family and friends. Her travels have included trips to England, Scotland, India and the Holy Land, as well as California.

Elva Welday Newdome writes that her one grandchild is playing the violin and showing the same musical talent and interest as her mother, aunt and grandmother. Elva's string program in the city schools has produced orchestras at all levels; 10 of her pupils have made Ohio All-State Orchestra in the last two years.

I was so surprised and pleased to hear from **Peyton Lewis Penkowsky** that I immediately wrote her; we had been Russian majors together. She is an adult services librarian in Montgomery County, Md., and loves her work. She is very active professionally and is also the proud grandmother of three talented girls.

Lois Blake Tankersley is still employed as medical administrative liaison and medical records director of a children's clinic in Jacksonville, Fla. She was widowed in February 1996. She has traveled extensively in Europe and to New Zealand and Australia. In her plans for last spring was a trip to the Netherlands. Lois has four grandchildren and is interested in music, drama and her church.

Justine Edwards Borland and Dave have downsized, having sold their home of 20 years in Williamsburg for a somewhat smaller house. She, **Ann Buckles Orteig** '49 and I met for our annual birthday celebration at the Williamsburg Inn in December.

Mary Bondurant Stevens and Steve were in Ireland last summer, and in September '97 visited Arizona and Nevada. She has two granddaughters. Mary is in touch with **Jeanne Reifsnyder Wiseman** of Pedro, Ohio, and her four-year roommate, **Martha Warriner Dodson**. Martha writes that her husband will practice pharmacy one more year before retiring. In the meantime, they try to spend as much time as possible at their cottage on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. Martha's two married daughters have a total of six great kids.

Jeanne Hazlett Rodgers of Rutland, Vt., is enjoying life to the fullest since her husband retired from IBM in 1988, and they bought a home in New England. She is involved in many community activities and especially enjoys her hospital volunteer work. Her lawyer son has three children, one of whom has taken up the trombone. This is a thrill for Jeanne, as she played trombone at MWC. Some of her happiest college memories include being a part of the dance band, the marching band and the symphony orchestra. She and her husband travel a lot in New England and also have recently enjoyed a river cruise in Europe which included a stay in lovely Budapest.

Glenna (Sandy) Graves Shiflett is divorced and is good friends with her ex. She still has her exuberance and enthusiasm in both her manner and her handwriting. She was curator for an art show last May at the Fredericksburg Library and this year for a miniature show for the Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts. She is also a member of the second oldest reading club in Virginia. Sandy went to the dedication of the Chesapeake Arboretum in Great Bridge, Va., the contribution of **Carol Byrd (CB) Williamson** to her community. Sandy said CB gave a wonderful dedicatory speech. Sandy again has been appointed by the Williamsburg City Council to represent the city for three years on the board of the Peninsula Agency on the Aging. She is also presently on the board of the Fredericksburg Center for the Creative Arts.

Laura Wright Nottingham, recently widowed, certainly keeps herself busy with her family, two grandchildren, her home and garden, her church, bridge and piano. She has also delved into the world of cyberspace. According to her granddaughter, Laura is in "very good shape" for her age, taking two aerobics classes a week and keeping up with the instructor!

Marie Vivian Griffith Adams, married for 46 years and living in Conway, S.C., is a gardener and volunteers in the hospital newborn nursery as a "cuddler." Her six grandchildren live in Maryland and Georgia.

Helen Singleton Darfus is a physical therapist in Longwood, Fla. Her 70th birthday was celebrated in Hawaii with her daughter, who was born there. Helen is interested in state and national politics, as well as African violets.

Mary John Moore Payne of White Stone, Va., has worn a variety of hats in her lifetime. She taught before marriage, and after raising their children, she returned to teaching, then went into retail with the ownership of a Pappagallo Shop and now enjoys retirement and play. I think most of the play must be with those nine grandchildren, seven of whom live in the Fredericksburg area, not too far from her home in the Northern Neck, where she moved in 1996.

Sarah Armstrong Worman writes from glittering and glitzy Los Angeles that her health is superb, her occupation zero. She was recently in London for the wedding of her middle daughter. Shortly thereafter the new mother-in-law came to the States for a visit with the Wormans, and Sarah showed her a marvelous time in California and New York City. **Ann Buckles Orteig**, **Carol Byrd Williamson**, **Martha Gene Randall** '49 and I were able to help Sarah entertain the gracious English lady. All the Worman girls are living in Ohio; Sarah and Ho have recently driven across the country (a "first" for them) to visit them. Sarah writes that she has grown older in years but not in spirit and is fighting every inch of the way. Having been a careerist most of her adult life, she is looking for something exciting to do; she is considering the Senior Peace Corps.

Sylvia Sheaks Moore, widowed in 1978, retired in 1989 after 19 years as supervisor of elementary education in Rockingham County, Va. She has four children — history teacher, veterinarian, aerospace engineer, and biochemistry professor. Sylvia herself is an English teacher with Global Volunteers and has taught in Poland and Turkey. She is a gardener and into aquaerobics, AAUW, book discussion group, Delta Kappa Gamma and is the director of her church preschool. She often takes continuing education classes that offer new insights into the world around her. She is currently enrolled in a botany class at JMU.

I, too, am taking continuing education classes, presently one on foreign policy. We went back to "our" manor house in England this summer, and in September I'll be taking my third Elderhostel to Italy, this time to Padua and Venice. We went to Orlando in March with three of our grandchildren and, blessedly, their parents. We loved it, and what's more, we kept up with the children!

Regrettably, very few people indicated they would help with reunion plans. I hope that you will find that you can give me some input. The date is etched in stone — the weekend after Memorial Day is observed, May 30-31, 1998.

1949

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It is our sad duty to report the sudden passing of another dear classmate, **Patsy McKee Rogers**, who died at her home in Palmdale, Calif., in January. Among her survivors are her husband, Clark, two daughters, one brother and other relatives. On behalf of the class, our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Patsy's husband and family.

Most welcome news came from **Betty Fischer Gore**, who moved to Charlottesville two years ago and enjoys her new home and environs. Betty

has a daughter and her family in Charlottesville and sees them often. Her other three children and their families are still in Northern Virginia. Betty sees **Jo Drury Ramsburg** and husband Charles several times a year. The Ramsburgs have purchased a vacation home on the Northern Neck and have a lovely view of the bay. Betty also has seen **Barbara Westerman Newlon**, another resident of Charlottesville. Continuing her art interests, Betty took a class in figure drawing at the local community college and anticipated two art workshops during the year, in Tunisia in June and Italy in September. She enjoys getting *MWC TODAY* and hearing news of classmates and events at the College.

Around the time of Betty's trip to Italy, three classmates from other areas were descending on Lexington. No, not female freshmen bent on VPI, but the Fab Forty-Niners bound for **Betty Bond Heller Nichols** and Lee's abode. In taking their turn at hosting the annual reunion of the frolicking foursome, B.B. and Lee pulled out all stops to welcome **Jane Yeatman Spangler** and Bob, **Dottie Booker Pinkham** and Dave, and **Charlotte (Chot) Baylis** and Fred. We believe these faithful friends are the only former roommates to perpetuate their practice annually. And isn't it remarkable that the congenial husbands anticipate the gathering as much as their wives do?

Jane and Bob have sold their large house in Concord, N.C., which accommodated their family and Jane's mother over these many years. Their kids having flown, and Jane's dear mother now deceased, they downsized a tad to a new house, still big, but smaller and more convenient and in the same area. Jane and Bob make frequent trips to visit their children, who all live in the Pennsylvania area. Happily, Lexington is on their route to and fro, so they take a break and a cup of tea with B.B. and Lee.

Betty Bond has a new grandson, who has joined his sister to grace B.B.'s brag book. She attended a memorial service in Bedford for **Mary Holland Coolidge** '48 and saw many of Mary's classmates, who had gathered from all over to attend the service in May!

With no news as to the sale of the movie in which **Barbara Watson Barden** was featured, we'll have to wait for another year to partake of "A Christmas Dinner." Meanwhile, Barbara is her usual busy self: she drives from Lancaster, Pa., to Rhode Island to help with the care of her mother, who lives with Barbara's brother in Newport; she still choreographs local shows, both in the community and for Franklin & Marshall College; she teaches dance in her home to youngsters and has a large group of F&M students, mostly young men, who've developed a craze for tap dance. Her class recital is held in the Barden's beautiful large yard, which husband Bob maintains to perfection, and especially so for the June recital.

In April, **Anna (Andi) Dulany Lyons** and Keith joined **Irvin (Kitty) Whitlow Westbrook**'s widower, Roland, at the new Barksdale Theatre in Richmond for a performance of "The Complete Works of Wilm. Shkspr. (Abridged)," directed by Kitten and Roland's third daughter, Dawn.

Last spring, Andi received a wonderful video from **Corrine (Connie) Conley Stuart** in Toronto. Connie played the eccentric in "Monster Blood," an episode in the *Goosebumps* TV series.

Andi reported that Keith had bilateral cataract surgery in April and got along fine. Then her buttons popped in August, when eldest son, Clay, was awarded a fellowship in the Academy of General Dentistry. The recipient has to have completed many hours of seminars and passed a rigorous test before even being considered. Andi then had another source of pride when she heard from Dorrance Press that a researcher at the Library of Congress copyright office had recommended one of her children's poem/stories for possible publication. Andi had copyrighted three of her Bunny stories before submitting them to publishing houses.

A welcome note from **Anne (Miami) McCaskill Libis** revealed that she and Claude had purchased a two-wheeled cart and harness for use with their Standardbred mare. "Ready" had been a harness racer, but didn't cross the finish line first very often, if at all! As a kind result, the Libises got her from a rescue source in Maine.

The Libises enjoyed their Alaskan travels last year. We know of several who have taken the usual cruise via the Pacific-Northwest route, but **Judy Stone Johnstone** and Bob really had an extended journey and scenic route to Alaska last fall. They boarded a train in Toronto for the trip across Canada and reported the VIA system was first class in every respect. They came back to the lower 48 by ferry, toured Vancouver Island, and on down the west coast via AMTRAK. In California, they stopped for a few days with Judy's former suitemate, **Jean Willis Standing**, and husband Hugo in Pacific Palisades. Continuing on AMTRAK to Chicago and to South Bend, Ind., where the youngest of their three daughters lives, they picked up their car, which they had left there, and drove back to Melfa, Va. Judy was happy to report that her MWC roomie, **Liz Barnes Hornsby**, also has recently moved to the Eastern Shore, close by, and they see a lot of each other now.

Judy had a mastectomy in February '96 and felt very fortunate that it had not metastasized, and that she was able to make a good recovery. She said she was the first such patient at the hospital in Salisbury, Md., who had that surgery as an outpatient, with only one night there. She said it was scary to come home so quickly, tubes and all, and know the hospital was 65 miles away!

Judy and Bob now have six grandchildren ranging from the twins, Meg and Jack, who got their learner's permits this year, to the youngest, Beth, who turned 2 in August. Judy said it's hard to realize they've been retired to Malfa for nearly 10 years.

A real update came from **Florence (Flo) Archibald Barrow**, who wrote that she and husband John were both in good health and enjoying their retired years. Unlike many of their friends, who retired and rushed to Florida, Flo and John stayed in their home in Severna Park, Md. She said that during John's U.S. Naval service as a pilot, they were stationed in four different areas of Florida and had no desire to live there again. Instead, they have chosen an enviable arrangement of homes for each season. They go to Hawaii for the worst of winter; July finds them at their family cottage in Michigan; and September sends them to Europe, alternating between England and Switzerland every other year. They've rented the same chalet in a village above Interlaken, at 5,600 feet, and spend the month hiking, eating and taking short trips. Flo said she'd lived in Europe and the Near East after graduation, and the travel bug really bit her then.

Flo also keeps very active as a Republican, stays busy in hospice and on the board of the county Department of Social Services, still plays a lot of golf and enjoys her bridge club. Daughter Lisa is in television, still single, and travels widely doing segments for her show; #1 son is an advertising photographer in New York and has two daughters; #2 son is a banker in Stamford, Conn., and has a son and a daughter.

Flo sees **Barbara Watson Barden** at various functions at Annapolis, since Jon and Bob Barden were graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in the same class. Flo occasionally sees her former roommate, **Betty (Boots) Parker Allison**, who lives in Franklin, Va. Flo is so happy to live only 15 minutes from Annapolis, a town she treasures, and is busy with some of the historic houses there.

Best Laid Plans Department: **Jean (Murph) Murphy Baptist** said her annual cruise was turned into a new circular driveway in Martinsville, and her winter trip to Florida was canceled when her companion had surgery. Murph also had expected **Virginia (Jinny) Merrill MacLeod** and Mac to join her for the Gathering of the Clans on Grandfather Mountain, N.C., but they had just signed up for a European trip. They hope to make the Gathering next year. Murph did have a lovely visit to the Greenbrier in spring and was impressed to see the extensive underground bunker, built during the Eisenhower era, which was to house our national leaders in case of a nuclear attack.

Murph said four of her six grandchildren now are driving, which gives her pause. Her oldest grand is a rising junior at Meredith in Raleigh, N.C.; two are rising seniors in high school and shopping colleges; and one served as a page in the General Assembly in Richmond this year.

Relocating from California to Fredericksburg a few years ago, **Joan Rekemeyer Kibbe** now has moved permanently to North Carolina. Last year she bought one of the villas in Lake Pointe Landing, a retirement village in the mountains of Hendersonville. For a winter month or two, Joan visits her daughter, Jennifer, who is earning her Ph.D. at UCLA. Then Joan spends the summer at Canada Lake in the Adirondacks, convenient to visits with son John, in Boston, and daughter Lisa, in Springfield, Mass. Joan's artist daughter, Gretchen, received her master's in art last year and is teaching at Appalachian State in Boone, N.C. During her nearly eight-year residence in Fredericksburg, Joan became reacquainted and actively involved with MWC and plans to be back for our 50th in '99. Meanwhile, she extends an open invitation to any classmates living nearby or passing through her new area to get in touch.

In a brief note, **Sarah-Kathryn Hayter Helton** reported having called **Elva Tate Hasher** in Mechanicsville for a lengthy chat. Sarah passed along the info that, after many years of home care, Elva's husband, Conway, now is in a nursing home.

Sarah's note passed along more sad news. Robert Little, beloved husband of **Mary Ann Godsey Little**, died suddenly after a brief hospitalization and emergency surgery. As a pharmacist, Bob had owned and operated his family drug store in Bristol for the past 31 years, retiring just last year.

A letter from **Lucy Vance Gilmer** also related Mary Ann's loss. Lucy also reported the death of **Patsy McKee Rogers**, her roommate during our junior year when Lucy came to MWC after Sullins. At the time of writing, Lucy was in the final stages of coordinating efforts for the Sullins College 50th anniversary class reunion in September. It was the third reunion she's planned in recent years and, she says, would be the last! Her computer was beginning to request R&R.

We depend upon our classmates for news throughout the year, but especially at times of joy or sadness. So we thank our caring classmates in Bristol and elsewhere for their timely reports. With another holiday season at hand, please include us in your year-end correspondence.

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Thanks to all who sent news. I now have an e-mail address, so maybe some of you will find it easier to contact me the electronic way.

I was pleased to receive better health news from two of our classmates who were on the sick list. **Eleanor Sullivan Lewis** of Niceville, Fla., went to her 50th high school reunion in western Illinois, and, since it was close to St. Louis, she and Bob were able to enjoy granddaughter Heather's birthday. Bob had serious surgery in November '95 but is on the mend, and Eleanor is taking low impact aerobics. **Martha Carr Huddleston** has been flitting around — had her last chemo treatment in January '96. But in March she broke her foot due to a freak accident and was in a cast from the tip of her toes to her knee. That didn't keep her from attending the DAR and CAR convention in D.C. in April. Fortunately, the cast came off before she went on her cruise to Bermuda in May. Martha also travels from her Virginia Beach home to Northern Virginia to enjoy her 2-year-old grandson. Another destination was Phoenix, where she visited son Sam and his wife, Michelle, and enjoyed viewing the Grand Canyon. **Billie Mitchell Hanes** sees Martha from time to time, and the two of them spent an afternoon with **Barbara (Bobbie) Booker Palmer** before Bobbie and Al left for their winter home in Florida. Billie and Dick celebrated their 47th wedding anniversary and welcomed their eighth grandchild in 1996.

Marceline (Marcy) Weatherly Morris and Juney had a busy May '96, when they went on a Rhine River cruise and made three trips to South Carolina — the Chevy "Charleston Place" weekend, Marcy's 50th high school reunion and granddaughter Erin's graduation. Then in June they were in Bermuda for the Virginia bankers convention.

Carol Bailey Miller in Leesburg, Va., recently bought a 4-year-old registered quarter horse from New Mexico. "Buddy" needed lessons in going up and down Loudoun County hills. Carol has continued to have horse show jobs and was honored to be asked to officiate at the 4H Southern Regional Show. She and Bill belong to a ballroom dance club in Winchester, where they dance and socialize once a month.

1996 was an up and down year for **Nan Riley Pointer** and Joe in Gloucester, Va. They started the year off with a wonderful 14-day Holland American cruise through the Panama Canal, leaving from Ft. Lauderdale and ending up in Los Angeles. Then Joe had neck surgery in July — he had to wear a brace for six weeks but is fine now. Their oldest son, Glenn, had a bad fall at work, severely damaging both feet, which required him to be in a wheel chair. Although he will be able to walk, it may not be normally. Nan has been spending a lot of time with him as well as being involved in the Virginia conference for United Methodist Women.

Pat Klosterman Miller wrote Nan that her husband, Ed, had open heart surgery and is progressing nicely. They were looking for a place in the Florida panhandle to spend winters, as they have found those months rugged in western North Carolina these past few years. **Shirley Cole Schleter** and John are in Kitty Hawk, N.C., and were glad that none of the '96 hurricanes came to the Outer Banks. Shirley keeps busy with golf and bridge. She had a call from **Jane Scott Marks** of Franklin, Va. Jane, who recently lost her husband, was getting a little R&R at the Outer Banks. Shirley also heard from **Nell Grieve Swanson** of San Diego, Calif., who hopes to make our 50th.

Geraldine (Gerry) Boswell Griffin and Dave had a surprise trip in summer '96. They had signed up for a cruise to Alaska. When they arrived on the West Coast, they found out the cruise was canceled because there had been a fire on the ship. Not wanting to fly back to Georgia, they quickly visited a travel agency and planned a bus tour of the Canadian Rockies. They will try for Alaska again, as they got a full refund on the cruise. Their Jekyll Island is becoming more easily accessible with the completion of a new high-rise bridge to replace the old drawbridge across the Intracoastal Waterway. Another big bridge across the river to Brunswick is to be completed in a few years. Gerry and Dave will have another place to visit, as daughter Judy and husband have moved to Tempe, Ariz. Gerry returned to her high school reunion in Arlington, Va., with shops on the way in Norfolk, Williamsburg and Fredericksburg.

Clelia Boushee Bullard and Ray traveled to Bogota, N.J., from Jacksonville, Fla., for her reunion. They combined it with visits to Revolutionary War battlefields in eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and up-state New York, including Niagara Falls and Saratoga Springs in their itinerary.

Other Floridians who have been traveling are **Jacqueline (Jackie) Newell Recker** and Len of Ponte Vedra. They flew to Copenhagen, spending three days there before boarding a Renaissance ship to sail the Baltic. Jackie said she felt as if she were on her own private yacht — only 114 passengers aboard. She described seeing Helsinki and Estonia as interesting, but St. Petersburg — astonishing. The cruise ended in Stockholm, where they spent three days before flying back to Orlando. The other great event is their lives was the birth of another grandchild to their daughter, who lives in Memphis.

Connie Metzger Verlander and Joe of Altamonte Springs, Fla., have been on the go, getting together with various family members in Virginia. They also attended sessions at the Chautauqua Institute in New York state. The first week was dedicated to communications, and the second week was devoted to the Middle East, with renown leaders from Jordan, Israel and Palestine presenting their views. These sessions were complemented by a remarkable music program — 77-member Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra plus jazz musicians Pete Fountain and Al Hirt and an evening with Ann Murray.

Spending the winter in St. Petersburg, Fla., **Rachel Nickey Morgenthaler** and Skip were looking forward to visits from family. They experienced their first Elderhostel in Delaware and also visited their daughter, Diane, in her new home in Milwaukee.

Barbara Lloyd Hiller had two get-togethers with the Morgenthalers — one when she and Jim were in St. Pete and again when they attended their 50th high school reunion in Harrisburg, Pa. Barbara and Jim enjoy their condo life in State College, Pa., but also do some traveling — Canada, Hilton Head and Indianapolis, their daughter Susan's new home.

Betty Gavett Breeden is also a member of the Harrisburg reunion class but couldn't make the affair. Now in Prescott, Ariz., she is chair of the architectural control committee and also does volunteer office computer work for the development coordinator of Habitat for Humanity. Husband Joe is the gardener, house painter and was supervisor of the "rocking" project at the back and side of their house — 80+ tons of boulder size rocks. They also visited the San Diego area, which is the location of most of their children and grandchildren.

Rosemary Miller keeps busy with the local orchestra and church choir in Benzonia, Mich. Her 93-year-old mother has recently moved to an assisted living facility nearby.

Garland (Dorsey) Estes McCarthy of Humble, Texas, was pleased to report that her youngest daughter was recently married and is now living in Arlington, Va. **Barbara Huber Bohmann**'s son was also recently married. Previous to that, Barbara's daughter, Jill, and husband produced a grandson, Benjamin. Another major event was Barb's move from Lancaster, Pa., to Lakeland, Fla. — closer to family, where she can watch Ben's development and also enjoy warm winter months. **Jean Sprower Hampton** is happy to be near her three energetic grandchildren in Middlebury, Vt. She is also involved in volunteer hospice work, which she did for several years while living on Long Island, N.Y.

I always enjoy hearing from **Mary Mount Lind** at Christmas with the significant Bethlehem, Pa., postmark on the envelope. She and Dick are enjoying retirement, doing fund-raising for the Community of Sister school with whom Mary taught for 34 years. They co-chair the development advisory board. Mix that with visits to her sister, Sally, in Arizona plus time in Florida and they have a nice variety to spice up their lives.

What a surprise to receive a note from **Patti Head Ferguson** describing Christmas in St. Thomas, V.I. She and Glenn bought their place there in 1995 but are not sure if they will stay forever — they still have a place in Rhode Island. Patti missed her 50th high school reunion as she had both knees replaced and then got an infection, so was back in the hospital in Rhode Island. Everything is fine now.

Natalie (Nat) Wilton has been experiencing health problems — vertigo and eye problems — but she is improving. She has had phone chats with **Liz Garey Parode** and **Helen Hopkins Timberlake** when they were in the Seattle area. She continues to keep in touch with **Mary Cottingham Hardy** in California. Mary writes that she feels blessed to have her children and grandchildren living near her in San Pedro. She has two teen-age grandchildren of whom she is proud, but 2-year-old Alexandria is melting her heart right now. Mary spent August '96 in South Carolina visiting her sister and attending her high school reunion.

I am pleased to report that **Carmen Zeppenfeldt Catoni**'s son received his liver transplant in September '96, and last news is he is doing well. Carmen and Luis were in Puerto Rico for Christmas '96 and became ill with a new strain of the flu, which lasted over a month. During that time they had a buyer for their house down there, so had to sort out their belongings and ship what they wanted back to Florida. Meanwhile Luis developed diverticulitis and now may require surgery.

Alicia DeRivera-Cruz in San Juan, P.R., was glad to see 1996 disappear as the island experienced various disasters — hurricanes, floods, explosions — and she, too, was ill with a serious viral infection over Christmas. But '97 started off better and she had the pleasure of seeing a good friend and neighbor elected the second mayoress of San Juan. Alicia was one of the main assistants to their first mayoress for seven and a half years.

Irv and I get together quite often with **Mim Sollows Wieland** and Earl, mostly on Cape Cod, but Mim and I phone chat frequently here in New Jersey. They enjoy visiting their youngest grandchild in Atlanta, Ga., in between their trips to Cape Cod and handling their projects for craft shows and boutiques. Their other two children and families are located in Pennsylvania.

By the time you read this, it will be just about two years until our 50th reunion. Plan to be there!

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Four more years and we will be back together again for a few short days. Hope you are saving your energy, writing your friends and room-

mates and keeping alumni weekend free for the year 2001. Hope you got your greeting from Lorrie. I'm still waiting to hear some news from you all.

1952

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From Charlotte:

Our 45th Reunion was a great success! Our headquarters was Ball, and those of us who spent the nights there had the most fun, wandering in and out of each other's rooms, carefree again, and enjoying the free lemonade, cookies, tea, coffee, muffins, and Cokes, etc. downstairs. The meals in the dining hall were excellent, and everything possible was done for us. I understand that for our 50th we will be staying in a new dorm with elevators, air conditioning, and a large parking lot. File this fact and stay in the dorm at the next reunion!

Anne Beck Macfarlane took time on a bumpy plane ride to several meetings to write that she was sorry to miss the reunion, and **Nancy Parker Richardson** wrote of house guests who decided to descend that very weekend.

Susan Hutcheson Jurgens is the only person to write with news, so she has been awarded the job of class agent. Write to her, so we can keep up with you. Susan and husband John have done dozens of Elderhostels, including those in Egypt and Malta. She writes that **Carol Oliver Headlee** and Tom have started Elderhosteling, too. Bob and I can speak well of an Elderhostel we attended at Mote Marine Lab in Sarasota, Fla. Susan writes that when she visits her older daughter in Northern Virginia, she usually visits **Elaine Nader Powell**.

You may be impressed to read that **Mary Lou Finney Boyd** was named one of President Bush's 1000 Points of Light, and that the state of Maryland has given her many awards for her work with mentally handicapped adults.

Virginia (Ginny) Orkney Philbrick is living in Bedford, Va., and is said to have her hands full baby-sitting her grandchildren.

Listening at the reunion, I learned that **Diana Buckwalter** is celebrating retirement from teaching by playing a lot of golf and bridge. **Carol Edgerton Cooper** prefers tennis, and must be a very good player, as she enjoys team tennis. **Louise Sakakini Summs** is having fun playing piano in the formal dining room at the Chamberlain Hotel in Hampton, Va. **Nancy Cundey Peacock** is still selling real estate part time when not traveling or sitting with the grandchildren. **Millie Jones Bonner** produces and directs at the Melodrama Dinner Theater in Lake Providence, La. For eight years her dramas have had sell-out performances! Millie is also president of Friends of the Louisiana Cotton Museum in Lake Providence and teacher of creative dramatics at an elementary school.

Betsy Martin Carden and John are getting ready to do a three-week tour of England, Wales and Scotland, and then to retreat to their very own "sliver" in Bantry, County Cork, Ireland. Betsy, please write and tell us, what is a "sliver?"

Janet Heilmann Meador is busy traveling with her husband, John. They recently visited Korea, where he had served in the JAG Corps. John has published two books in the field of law and is now writing novels. **Mimi Bruce McCombie** has retired from her work with gifted high-school children, and husband Bob has retired from the PPG Industries. They chose Virginia Beach as the place to begin their new life. Mimi recently fell from her bike on the way home from aerobics class and is sporting a sling on her broken arm.

Claire Sindlinger deGroot's son married a young lady from Susex, England, who just presented him with a son to carry on the deGroot name. Doug is building tennis courts in Southampton, N.Y. Clarie's husband is planning to retire in June from the Federal Credit Union.

Nancy Moxley Stone and husband Daley are into croquet in a big way — there is a standard-size croquet court in their front yard. Daley just came in second out of 75 players in a regional match and has qualified to play in the nationals at Newport.

My husband, Bob, and I just returned from a month touring England, Wales, Ireland and Scotland. The land is beautiful, the people are very friendly, but you must see for yourself how different everything is.

1953

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From Barbara:

It's catch-up time with **Marjorie Kodet Shevlin**. After graduation, she worked for the Charles Pfizer Co. in New York as a pharmacology researcher. In 1958 she married Edward Shevlin and in 1961 had daughter Tara; son James was born in 1966. In 1968 Marjorie and family moved to Tennessee, where Ed was director of pharmaceutical research development at Chattem Co. until his retirement in 1987. Marjorie has enjoyed traveling in the Caribbean on Windjammer cruises as far south as Grenada. She also goes to Florida twice a year. She says that even though her family is small (seven individuals), they span four generations, from granddaughter Breanne, 15 months, to great-grandma Shevlin, 99 years.

Another catch-up letter came from **Barbara (Bobbie) Caverlee Schuler**. She and Tom have been married 43 years; have two children, Meg and Tommy, both married; and have four grandchildren. The family enjoyed living in Germany from 1971-74. Barbara taught social studies at E. C. Glass High School in Lynchburg, Va., for 16 years. She and Tom are now retired and have fun traveling, playing golf and enjoying life.

Deigh Renn Simpson is working full time as a senior document control coordinator at Allergan in Colonial Heights, Va. She is also her 96-year-old mother's main caretaker, so time is not something she has in excess.

"Soccer-Granny" is how **Elizabeth (Betty) Mason Roper** identifies herself. Since Charlie's retirement from parish ministry in 1994, he and Betty have given away most of their "stuff" and now enjoy a small apartment with no lawn to mow in Atlanta. Charlie is working part time as Canon to the Ordinary and for vocational discernment. Five of the six Roper children and all five grandchildren live close by. Betty plays viola with the Atlanta-Emory Orchestra and in some quartets with old friends. She also enjoys a singing group, "Festival Singers of Atlanta." In her words, "Having a blast!"

Winifred Hundemann Schurek is retired from 16 years as an elementary classroom teacher and 17.5 years as an elementary music teacher in New Jersey. She said life changed for her when husband Otto died in July 1995. She is active in various organizations and has a trip to France and Germany on hold. Winifred stays in touch with roommate **Alberta Shelton Stornetta**. Winifred and **Millicent Brown** went to school together from kindergarten through college.

Retirement doesn't offer enough time to Crawford and **Anne Smith Jenkins**. They are gardening, boating and loving not have a fixed schedule. They volunteer at church and love being back in Virginia with friends and family they grew up with. Daughter Elizabeth, a set designer for theater, was married in 1996 and lives in Gaithersburg, Md.

Since retirement in 1996 as an art teacher, **Elizabeth Young Worthington** is maintaining her art studio and is involved in Chattanooga's art organizations. Elizabeth, whose husband died in 1994, has three children and five grandchildren. Besides painting in oils and watercolors, Elizabeth enjoys line dancing, swimming and picture-framing.

Betty Cranford Besley has been enjoying time with her daughter and family since her retirement from teaching. She also enjoys a number of hobbies and is looking forward to going back to Europe in the future. She occasionally talks to **Polly Peters**, who was in our class for two years and who now lives in a retirement home in Richmond.

Nancy Potts Weikel has three adult children who live in Farmville, Va., Trenton, Ga., and Birmingham, Ala. In the process of writing down experiences of 45 years as a minister's wife, Nancy has become interested in storytelling. She and her husband enjoy helping friends travel by arranging their trips for them. Nancy adds that her husband's retirement "is a dream."

Peggy Snellings Rampersad and **Ann DeWitt Harvey** spent a wonderful day together at the Art Institute of Chicago this past spring, when Ann was visiting her son in Chicago. After graduation from MWC, Peggy studied at the institute at the suggestion of Professor Julien Binford, so she was happy to give Ann a tour. A few years ago, Ann gave Peggy a similar tour of the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, where she is a docent. Peggy regrets that they are unable to move forward on their plans for a reunion of MWC art students due to a lack of response. She hopes they can meet at the 45th Reunion.

Since **Shirley (Sherry) Widener Butler** and husband's memorable trip to Japan in 1995, Jack has had heart by-pass surgery and is recovering well. They hope to resume traveling later. Sons Ken and Mark are happy in their lives. Mark's 2-year-old Sarah has captivated her grandparents' hearts. Shirley and Jack were due recently to celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary.

Garnette Bell Crawford and **Carol Ann Smith Boyes**, cousins, recently spent 10 days together in their home town of Newport, R.I., where they visited their mothers in the same nursing home. Unfortunately, while there, Garnette's mother, 89, died. Though she had been ill, it was still unexpected. Garnette's daughter Sally and her boyfriend have built a house near Garnette, and daughter Ellen, in Fayetteville, N.C., is engaged. In husband Norm's quest the last three years to find high-school classmates for a 50th reunion in June, he found all but 19 of 196.

Peggy Hopkins Johnson and husband Dick continue to travel to Florida after Christmas and return to Fredericksburg in March. They also have visited some of the people they've met there at their homes in North Carolina, Kentucky and New York. April and October, they can be found in Keeneland, Ky., where they attend the races. They also had a trip to California planned. Some months ago **Nancy Melton Miller**, **Rebecca (Becky) Spitzer Harvill**, and Peggy met in Yorktown for an overnight visit; and in September,

Peggy and Dick met Nancy in Virginia Beach for dinner and a visit.

Emily Marvel Johnston is the seventh grandchild for **Ruth Bryce Boggs Maroney** and husband Phil. Emily was born in Hawaii, where her parents, Liz and John, were residing while earning their master's degrees, John in Asian studies and Liz in library science. Ruth retired from the Vanguard Group of Investment Companies four years ago.

Since **Beverly (Jean) Kimball Gray** retired as organist, kindergarten teacher and handbell director, she is playing on two tennis teams and is trying to find more travel time to visit with the four children and six grandchildren. She built a new house on Kentucky Lake, New Concord, Ky., and is "single, footloose and fancy free. Loving it." **Frances Giannotti Scalzo** moved to Wilmington, N.C., after living in Connecticut for 28 years. She is enjoying living on the Carolina coast. **Carolyn Keck Redic** and husband still travel back and forth from their cottage on Lake Pomme de Terre, Mo., and their home in Normal, Ill. Their 60-pound poodle spends his time trying to evade contact with two toddler grandsons.

Joan (Honey) Kerrins Friel is another tennis player. She and husband John recently cruised to the Black Sea and also have traveled to Acapulco and to Vancouver.

Doris Lindsey Whitfield and husband John work on citizens' committees for the county comprehensive plan, help coordinate the beach erosion project for the community, and help coordinate their local Sierra Club activities. Doris said they participated in a wonderful Elderhostel in Georgia, studying and visiting Cumberland Island and the Okefenokees. A visit to daughter Margaret and granddaughters and a camping trip to Alaska were planned as of her writing. Doris visits Dr. Eileen Dodd and her caregiver, Bea Smith. She wrote that Dr. Dodd continues to be a remarkable, inspiring person and that she still enjoys company and participating in some community programs. Included with Doris' letter was an article about last year's MWC freshman, Blaine Ashworth, who generated support for saving an area we once much enjoyed, the amphitheater, and which had fallen into disrepair.

Margaret (Peggy) Hall MacNaughton and her husband, who now live in S. Euclid, Ohio, are both retired and are busy taking classes, tutoring and enjoying! They recently made a memorable trip to Eastern Europe. Their older son lives in Columbus with his wife and 1-year-old daughter; the younger son is in Cincinnati.

Virginia Poole Kinniburgh is trying to figure how it's possible that she has a son who's retired from 20 years in the Army! He is now the music director of Grace Church in Grand Haven, Mich. Son Mark and family are still in England, where Mark is stationed with the Royal Artillery. Virginia and husband see **Joanne Harris** often, to celebrate birthdays and other occasions and just to visit. Virginia was awarded volunteer of the year status for her work at the Powhatan Nursing Home in McLean, Va.

Charlotte, Jose, Hal and I recently returned from a trip to Switzerland that took us from snowy Alps to beautiful spring gardens on the lakes of Switzerland, Italy and Germany. Hal and I are presently preparing for a trip to Scotland and Norway. In the meantime, I'm teaching my 6-year-old grandson while our daughter is here attending a law seminar and defending a client at Walter Reed. It's fun for me to see how first-grade materials are presented after so many years with high-school levels.

The consensus of the class is that retirement is much busier than we ever anticipated. To those who have experienced family deaths, we extend our deepest sympathy on behalf of the whole class.

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Louise (Lou) Robbins Bryant wrote that the family information has not changed — three children and their spouses and five grandchildren under 10 years old. Lewis has been retired for two years, so they travel, garden, fish and he hunts. Lou has been active in clubs and has been the organist at her church for 42 years. It does not seem like it has been 42 years since we dined at MWC. Lou's mother is 92 and lives next door, so Lou does most of her work for her.

Mary Ann Dorsey Judy and Paul spend July through mid-October on Nantucket Island, where family and friends visit. Mary Ann visited **Nancy Root Skinner** on Cape Cod. Paul keeps busy with golf and fishing, but mostly with a foundation he has established to address various problems of the symphony orchestra. The highlight for 1996 for Mary Ann was an all-female trip to Normandy and Brittany accompanied by her three daughters and two granddaughters. Two of the daughters had lived in Brittany for a year during their high-school years, so they knew a lot about where to go and special off-the-regular-tourist-track places. They rented a van and toured the countryside. It was a glorious trip.

Life is great for Bruce and **Lucy-Mae Redman Munger**, and it all began May Day weekend 1954 with a blind date from Quantico. Bruce and Lucy-Mae have been retired in Sun City, Tucson for about four years. This retirement community affords a very active life with good friends and willing playmates for tennis, hiking, biking and bridge. It's really a golfing haven, but Lucy-Mae's best golf was on the course at college. They are in Sun City from mid-October to the end of May. Starting in May, they travel in their RV around the west learning about and enjoying the vast beauty of this part of the country. By the first of June, they head for Maine for the summer for cottage living and time with their relatives. Their children are scattered around the country: Worcester, Mass.; Bedford, Texas; and Lafayette, Calif. They are blessed with seven grandchildren. With their freedom to travel, they have good visits with all of them throughout the year, especially the holidays.

Lois Manton Graff Reiser and Bob had their third grandchild, a boy, so daughter Eleanor has had her first child. Lois' oldest son and daughter-in-law are expecting again in August, so they will have four grandchildren. Lois and Bob have a home in Hudson, Fla.

Dorothea (Dottie) Schenk Hall visited **Patricia (Pat) Johnson Beck** for a week last year. Dottie has moved from Virginia to North Carolina.

Imre (Jo-Jo) Broome Shively and Broaddus were engaged her senior year and married. Broaddus graduated from Va. Tech and became an associate with Central Oil Corp. He retired several years ago as president of the company. He is presently serving his second term as mayor of Rocky Mount, Va. Jo-Jo taught for 32 years — all the social studies at Franklin County High School. As in any small town, they were involved in a variety of community, church and volunteer activities. Jo-Jo's favorite hobbies involve needlework, especially needlepoint and cross-stitch. Also, she is very active as a Democrat and is involved in local and state elections. After having completed congressional and state campaigns, she is looking forward to electing a Democratic governor and lieutenant governor. Their pride and joy are their two sons and a daughter-in-law. Their oldest son, Tom, a graduate of Roanoke College, is employed by the Carilion Health System in Roanoke, Va. Their youngest son, Joe, recently completed his doctoral work at the UNC at Greensboro. His wife, Victoria, completed her master's degree as an accompanist on piano. She is also involved with the music students at UNC.

1955

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If the response to my April letter to y'all had been any better, I'd have had to hire a secretary! There was a great response to "Class of '55's most beautiful grandbaby contest," so keep those pictures coming (photocopies are fine), as the winner will be announced in the next issue.

Phyllis (Bee) Melillo Shanahan sent a photo of John's cabin cruiser, *Bonu$ Baby*. Sorry, Bee, she's mighty "purty," but she's still a boat! They spent January through April in Florida, in their Deerfield Beach condo; the summer on their farm in Connecticut, camping at Cape Cod at Tanglewood; and in October it's on to England and Wales. If you have any ideas for our 50th Reunion in 2000, please send them to me and I'll pass them on to Bee.

Carole Kolton Bryson retired after 30 years as a dietitian, but she's launching into hostessing at Monticello, selling real estate, taking classes, studying interior decorating and decorating her new home, aided and abetted in her new life by her new man, Harry Heise. In Stanardsville, Va., she says, "All friends are welcome!" Carole's children are in Nashville and near Syracuse, N.Y. Carole's mother is still going strong at 95.

Ann Strickler Doumas writes from Fredericksburg that she and Bill are fully ensconced in the lecture circuit. They live just below Trench Hill and have generously offered a room to any classmate visiting Fredericksburg. Her granddaughter is a beauty and is MWC Class of 2015.

Ann Grubbs Blitchington's photo includes all eight of her handsome grandkids. Lucky Ann has seven of them living near her in Richmond, and every summer they gather at Sunset Beach, N.C. Ann's husband, Frank, is doing wonderfully after four heart surgery bypasses. Last January they chartered a sailboat with two other couples. The men did all the sailing around the British Virgin Islands. Ann and Frank also traveled to Warsaw, Prague and Budapest.

From **Betsy Land Johnson**, news that husband David retired May '96 after teaching many years in Wisconsin's technical college system, and they have been "on the road" ever since. They enjoy traveling so much, they intend to keep at it as long as body and funds hold up! Betsy retired five years ago from a local clinic, where she was the lab manager. All four of their children are married, and they have three grandchildren.

One day when I had more time than common sense, I wrote down all the names of our '55 classmates, with "Mary" topping out the list — 13 of them! I hadn't seen a "Mary" under the age of 20 in years, until I received a photo of darling **Mary Shope Armbruster**, granddaughter of Nancy Shope Armbruster, still living in Santa Fe since '69. For the past 18 years, Nancy and Joe have been living in a passive solar home in the desert. They both retired in '89. Joe earned a degree in fine art photography after years as a surgeon. They will both participate in the National Senior Olympic Games in Tucson, Joe in race walking and Nancy in horseshoes and women's softball. Like so many of you, they enjoy Elderhosteling with trips to Costa Rica; several river trips in Utah; and in September, trekking in Nepal. Through her church, Nancy founded and leads an ecumenical group of 60 faith communities throughout New Mexico who combate hate

crimes and encourage enjoyment and appreciation of diversity.

Barbara Jones Black, in Fruitland, Md., has two sons, a daughter and four grandkinder. She loves to garden; is still honing her skills learned at MWC; and is knitting and playing bridge. Barbara is a medical center volunteer and is active in a homemakers club.

Christine (Chris) Harper Hovis, in San Luis Obispo, Calif., writes that her daughter, Robin, presented her with a grandson. Chris and Neil, still in the work force, traveled to Kauai and Hawaii last year.

Ann Nuckols Bodkin moved to Culpeper, Va., last December and lives in her new home with daughter Debbie and granddaughter Candice, 15; and states that so far it's working out very well. Ann lived 40 minutes away in Page County for 30 years, but the move was necessitated by the many commutes to be involved with family. After 20 years Ann retired from teaching, joined aerobics classes, and volunteers at the hospital where Debbie is director of the medical imaging department. She still puts in travel time visiting son David, his wife, Linda, and grandchildren. Ann plans to attend a family reunion this summer in Minneapolis. She does a lot of bus and tour trips. In September she planned to see London, Scotland and Wales. She invites you to look her up when in Culpeper.

From Springfield, Va., **Eleanor Pollock** wrote that she lost her mother, who lived to 96. Eleanor is active in her church and works in visitor service for special exhibits at the National Gallery of Art. In October, she's taking a Smithsonian trip to France. It's one of the best trips my husband and I ever experienced, and the wine flowed like water!

Jane Fair Ingersoll has lived in Essex, Conn., for 36 years, where now retired husband Stuart owned Essex Boat Works. Jane still teaches preschool and works at my very favorite store, Talbots. Their daughter, Pam, is a social worker in Framingham, Mass.; son John works in waste management in Virginia; and son Charlie, who's in Maryland, is about to become a dad.

If you're hoping to "get away from the madding crowd," try Reapsome House at Willow Spring, a beautiful 1859 bed-and-breakfast inn surrounded by mountains in Elliotsburg, Pa., and run by classmate **Roberta Linn Miller** and husband Tom, who retired from Mobil Oil. Roberta taught home economics in Pennsylvania, Ohio and South Carolina; ran a "country stuff" store in New Jersey; and taught decorative painting in college, high school, and adult schools for 11 years before becoming an innkeeper. The Miller's children live in Cozad, Neb., and Candor, N.Y. The grandkids must love visiting the Millers, whose B&B is on 40 acres, complete with llamas, border Leicester sheep, peacocks, swans, guineas, cats and a dog! Roberta still keeps in touch with **Laura Ann Miller** '56 and **Dorothy (Dot) McIlwain Mattison**. Dot writes from Belton, S.C., that after retiring from teaching, she helps out at husband James' hardware store, where Dot sews custom hospitality, garden and mailbox flags and uses the machine she had at MWC! James is doing fine after open heart surgery in '95.

Christina Krise Gray writes that Nathaniel, her husband for 38 years, died December '95. Chris is living at her Indian Point Farm home in Suffolk, Va. Last March she had a wonderful time on a cruise to the Caribbean.

Dorothy (Dotty) Booth Sanders and her sister hosted a 90th birthday celebration for their mother last April at Dotty's home in Covington, Ky. As Dotty's daughter-in-law graduated from medical school in June, Dotty now has two doctors in the family to take care of her!

Polly Stoddard Heim and Ken left Ruskin, Fla., in May to visit children in California, Seattle and Alaska. Then they headed back to Northern California to celebrate their 40th anniversary with all four children and their families in August and continued on home by way of New York and Fairfax, Va., where Ken's family lives. Polly has six grandchildren. Polly, another Elderhostel enthusiast, found a chapter at U. of Southern Florida.

From **Sally Fan Hanger Moravitz**'s Noel note for '96: They visited and studied the San Diego Zoo and museums of Balboa Park as part of their first Elderhostel adventure, followed by a 14-day cruise of the Baltic, the highlight of which was a day in Stockholm with Sally Fan's namesake, Sally Hanger Svenlen. Sally Fan and Fran had their 45th high school reunion at old Fairfax High, now a Catholic school. She attended Sacred Dance Festival in Berkeley, Calif., and says, "My notoriety this year was having my picture in the Smithsonian's 150th birthday party brochure — feeding a tarantula. Fran's was having a hurricane named after him, which almost sank his boat!"

A surprise call from **Joan Piedmont Gruppe** was delightful and brought me up to date on her life of teaching piano and playing professionally. Joan has three children, four grandchildren. She spoke with **Catherine (Sandy) Walton Hutchinson**, who married a doctor in Florida and has a married son in North Carolina. Joan says **Joan Kleinknecht** sold her family home after her mother's death and moved to Fairfield, Conn.

A letter from **Sally Wysong Puckett** says she is still in touch with her roommate of four years, **Carolyn (Susie) Miller**. Sally retired from 33.5 years of teaching. She and Ralph, who just celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary, live on 10+ acres in Pylesville, Md., where Ralph works with antique furniture. They lost their only child in a car accident in 1981.

The first third of '97 would have been great for the Fishers if we'd had time to slow down and enjoy any of it. January saw us flying to Atlanta on the day daughter Allison gave birth to her first child. In February we visited Boston, taking in the Museum of Fine Arts, the Boston Symphony and the *USS Constitution* (Old Ironsides). In April our first grandson, Gavin Teal Witherspoon Fisher (that's a baby, not a law firm!) was born, so we flew to San Diego to welcome him. From there we flew to Toronto for a fourth reunion with friends we met on a cruise. Now we're home in the middle of the fifth month of a kitchen remodeling — you know, where 30 years of stuff which once was in the kitchen is now in every room of the house.

Many thanks for the terrific response.

1956

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1957

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Many thanks to the Alumni Association and class representatives who planned a successful 40th Reunion for the Class of 1957. Welcoming packets came complete with a campus map to find our way around. We needed them — our campus has grown and is more beautiful than ever. I am your new class agent. As you can tell by the comments below, the reunion was a great success! There were a lot of questions, like: "What ever happened to so-and-so? Has anyone heard from her?" Please write us — we missed you.

Marlene Bost Braun enjoyed seeing classmates, but wished more would have come. She was here just for the day, after attending the Va. State Convention of Music Clubs in Roanoke. She and husband Carl are looking forward to a trip in June to the Canadian Rockies to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary.

Sandra (Sandy) Ball: "What a great reunion — no one has changed! We're still the greatest group going — fun to see everyone and share a few memories."

Elizabeth (Libby) Fordham has been retired from teaching for four years. She enjoyed traveling to Russia with **Elizabeth (Betty) Baylor Neatrour** '54 and to Alaska. "Have no trouble keeping busy writing and reading. Mom (class of '39) lives nearby in a retirement community."

Sally Strawhand Westphalen is moving this year to live full time in Vermont, where they have had a vacation home for 25 years. Her second husband is an investment executive with Paine Webber, and Sally has a consulting business in public relations. They have three kids between them, and three grandchildren.

Barbara Craft Grantz was happy to be back in Virginia. **Anne Daniel Fowler** loves teaching eighth grade science! She and her husband were planning a trip across Canada last summer. **Bruce Ritchie Spain** is moving to a condo in Richmond, Va., while rebuilding her life after Buck's death. She does some facilitating for a grief group, some travel and loves and appreciates every day. **Anne Jones Belsha** wrote "My last daughter was married in March. I have three new sons now!"

Joan Callahan Frankhauser said she loves being a grandmother! She and her husband were off to Paris on a second honeymoon in June. **Dorothy (Dot) Rice Clark** retired in June from working as a physical therapist in schools. She plans to travel to Seattle, Alaska and everywhere else she can go. She and her husband enjoy watching their three grandsons and one granddaughter grow and develop their own personalities.

Bonnie Shields Lingaitis' husband retired five years ago, and they have enjoyed some world traveling. Now it's wedding planning for their daughter and going to visit sons in California and Anchorage. They have one wonderful grandson. **Gil Chamblin Wise**'s husband is retired Marine Corps, and they live in coastal North Carolina, land of hurricanes Bertha and Fran in summer 1996. They have 10 grandchildren.

Florence (Foncie) Lawrence Williamson wrote that **Elizabeth (Libbie) Fordham** kindly met her plane from Raleigh and took her in for the night before attending the Class of '57 Reunion.

How wonderful to catch up with all the news and to enjoy all the preparations made for us by the MWC staff. It was great, and we missed those of you who couldn't make it.

1958

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What a nice winter we've had this year on the East Coast. At this point Lucy and I will begin the process of assembling information for our reunion booklet, so let's hear from more of you. If we don't hear from you, we'll try to include your name with the most current address and any other pertinent information.

Bernice Bramson Gilfillan still loves South Africa. Her first book, *Let the Skeletons Dance*, has recently been published. It's an autobiography of her early life, origins and adventures as a diplomat's daughter. Her children live in the United States, where she visits as frequently as possible.

Myrna (Mel) Levine Davison and her husband have returned to Brandon, Ore. — stop by and explore the coast if you would like. She would love to act as your tour guide. In fall '96 they had a wonderful vacation in New Orleans. Four grown children help to keep them very busy traveling and on the road all the way from California to North Carolina.

Nancy Doner Salmon and her husband live in Sparta, N.J. She is actively helping to coordinate the Sparta summer concerts. Nancy enjoys sailing, biking, hiking and skiing. She says she will be with us for the 40th.

Kay Martin Britto has moved to Wrightsville Beach, N.C., and welcomes all MWC graduates who happen to be passing through to look her up! She and Nelson enjoy traveling in Portugal.

Anne dePorry McGrath has been in New Jersey for the past six years. Her three children are located in Virginia, Chicago and England. She is human resources manager for the "Journal of Commerce." She also plans to attend the 40th. Won't we have a great time hashing over old times?

Roberta Lawless Eylar, who lives in San Diego, Calif., is actively quilting and working with quilting groups. In fall '95 she took a great trip to Ireland.

Elaine Downing Haupe spent several years teaching English as a foreign language in the Peoples Republic of China. She fortunately did not have to speak Chinese. Currently she is living in Delaware and teaching life skills to male inmates at the Delaware Correctional Center.

Jerry Stocks has changed careers. She is currently a flight attendant for a charter airline based in Savannah, Ga., and has all types of exciting destinations — Egypt, London, Greek Isles, and Spain, to name a few.

Sandra Sheesley Burnaman is enjoying the sun and tennis in Florida. She visited with **Cynthia Hapke Biagotti** in Connecticut spring '96.

Carolyn Tibbetts Anderson passed away at her residence in Gettysburg, Pa., in August 1996 after a bout with cancer. She had been an editor and marketing executive for several trade publications and publishing houses. Carolyn also co-owned the National Soldier Factory.

Patricia Roark Short lives in Halifax County, Va. She fills her retirement time collecting political buttons and dolls.

Evelyn (Ebie) Breeden McKnight took a glorious cruise up the inside passage of Southeastern Alaska in August 1996. She works in the Kentucky department of corrections as the personnel manager.

Barbara Thompson Patterson is busy enjoying her two grandchildren and running a book store in her church. With Gene as an airline pilot, she continues to travel quite a bit.

1959

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I'm happy to report that classmates are still e-mailing. I received a long and newsy e-mail from **Judy LaRoe Hare**, her first contact in many years. Judy has been happily ensconced in Atlanta for about 27 years. After her divorce in 1981, Judy remained single, saying she has no desire to mess up her exciting lifestyle. In 36 years Judy has gone from raising babies to the construction business, to retail gifts, to international real estate development, and to designing and marketing a designer umbrella. She currently runs the Main Source as a consultant in the import/export business and travels the world — especially to Egypt, her passion — whenever she can. She has three children in their 30s and joins the ranks of our "patiently-waiting-for-grandchildren" club.

Judy had news of other lost 61ers. **Bobbi Brookes Nation** is living in London, and she and Judy visit about once a year here or in Florida, where Bobbi's parents live. She also keeps in contact with **Janis Murphy Riefler** and her husband, Monte, who live in Hamburg, N.Y. Judy, on a business trip in 1996, had dinner in Los Angeles with her roommate of four years, **Marilyn (Mouse) Messier Whitmore**. Marilyn is still in Simi Valley, Calif., and has six grandchildren. She and Bill also have a home in Las Vegas. Judy said she always enjoys reading our *MWC TODAY* Class Notes and appreciates keeping informed.

Lynn McCarthy, always a good source for class news, wrote a long and newsy letter. Following Kentucky basketball to places like Hawaii for the Maui classic, chasing HaleBopp, kite flying, gardening and searching for ancestors in the Carolinas, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Kentucky keep Lynn busier than the Energizer rabbit. Lynn sees **Betty Pace Rose** occasionally at basketball games, and since they live close by, they are trying for a lunch together. Betty and husband Jim had dinner with Charles and **Beverly (Bee) Stone Byrnes** from Natchez when they were in town for the Derby.

Dick and I had a wonderful visit from Sandy and **Lynne Williams Neave** in early March. The California sunshine was in its glory for them, and we had a terrific time doing Los Angeles tourist things and rambling up the coast to Santa Ynez and Santa Barbara. The Neaves were also planning a late spring Caribbean trip and the August wedding of Sandy's youngest son.

Remember to contact us so we can start spreading your news.

1962

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These last five years as class agent have been especially meaningful. Hearing from you girls has always been a pleasure. **Elizabeth (Ann) Tench Huml** has offered to become your next class agent, and I appreciate her interest — I didn't even have to ask! In retrospect, I wouldn't trade MWC for any college in the world. The dynamics of the system, even then, put it on the cutting edge as a prestigious and highly acclaimed place to call our alma mater.

I have become involved in the Motherless Daughters organization. Richmond is one of only 30 cities in the United States to have such. The book by the same name triggered the organization being formed. I advise anyone who has lost a mother in any fashion between infancy and the middle years to buy the book and find or start the organization in your town. There are seminars, support groups, workshops, luncheons, on-line services, therapists, trained facilitators, etc. Women are given a "place" where they can share their stories, work through anger, guilt, grief, and not be silenced or judged. I know there must be a lot of you out there that would benefit. I lost my own mother at age 18. The book will explain the melancholy, the self-fabrication, moving forward alone and the life-long ramifications of that loss.

Mentors are greatly needed; right now I am working with a 13-year-old student whose mother died suddenly at age 46. In this program, you find the sisters you never knew you had. Write me if you are interested.

Diane Copple Smith is teaching ESL at Forsyth Tech. Community College and working for "WS Journal."

The afternoon this was to go in the mail, I heard from **Debrah (Debbie) Delo Meloney**. No time to put in her info, but she, Jim and family are great. Ann will write about her in a future issue. Don't forget to send your news to: Ann Tench Huml, 4407 Kensington Ave., Richmond, VA 23221

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Yvonne Hutchinson March reports that while she is still in Arlington, Va., working for the FBI, she is no longer traveling as a translator. Instead she is involved in developing and administering tests for new applicants and foreign language trainees, numbering about 3,000 per year. In her spare time, Yvonne is learning to use the Internet, scouting out retirement possibilities and looking for corporate opportunities in foreign language. Since her daughter is enrolled in a three-year program at an art school in Savannah, Ga., Yvonne is looking forward to frequent trips south. Her son is enjoying a good life with a good job in Columbus, Ohio, as an accountant and is reluctant to move back to Northern Virginia. Recently Yvonne attended a four-year reunion of her mother's family in Miami, where she met many of her relatives from Mexico and Puerto Rico.

Kathryn (Kitty) Downs Gregg missed my phone call because she was touring eastern Europe with her 78-year-old mother, a therapeu-

tic adventure for them both, according to husband Donald. Kitty retired after 20 years with U.S. West Telephone Corp. and is enjoying life in Foxfield, Colo. Donald buys and sells mortgages, making good use of his master's degree in statistics, and furthers his interest in education by volunteering to teach lessons in finance at the local high school. Their family includes a son, a high-school junior, and a daughter, a student at the U. of Colorado.

Pat Previte Hill has switched from teaching to real estate and loves selling houses in Northern Virginia. Her daughter is a graduate of the College of William and Mary; her son is a senior at Virginia Tech; and her husband is an assistant principal at Edison High School in Alexandria, Va. Their main hobby is boating, cruising on the Chesapeake Bay, and Pat also enjoys her involvement in church activities and a bridge group.

Pat keeps in touch with **Sally Boss Cline** and husband Paul, who are living in Botswana, working with the Botswana Agricultural College and doing missionary work with the Southern Baptist Convention. Their son, Scott, is also a graduate of William and Mary. Pat last visited with Sally and Paul when they returned to the United States for daughter Kendra's graduation from veterinarian college at Virginia Tech.

Pat also mentioned that **Nancy Fisher Balderson** lives and works in Richmond, Va.; and that **Brenda Forlines** is now living in Jacksonville, Fla., is single and is working for the Baptist State Association. Pat also keeps in touch with **Carol Thayer Cox** '68, of Fredericksburg, Va., and **Robbie James East**, who lives in Purcellville, Va.

Eva Teng Marcus reports from Columbia, Md., that she has returned to her career after staying home 16 years raising her family. She had to take computer courses to update herself before joining the Maryland department of environment, where she does computer work with data bases for hazardous waste, working directly with the EPA. Eva's eldest daughter is a new teacher of mathematics in a Columbia high school and is learning to deal with the frustrations of classroom management. After her first year of teaching, she has decided to work toward being a college instructor instead! Eva's other two daughters are students, one at Colorado State U., the other at Howard Community College. Eva mentioned also that she was a member of the first graduating class of Springfield High School and is interested in getting in touch with some of her classmates. I referred her to **Joan Cuccias Patton**, who has been teaching there for many years.

Eva relayed news about three additional classmates. **Marcia Pexton Peura** is in California enjoying a child-free life with her husband, a retired Air Force colonel. Their interests include camping, skiing and travel. **Carolyn Freeman Glover**, now divorced, has retired from teaching in Suffolk, Va., and **Sue Worley Spouse**, also divorced, is still living in her home town of Lynchburg, Va.

I read in the Fairfax County Public Schools "Supergram" that **Lynn Williams Boyer**, director of special education programs and services, co-authored an article, "Preparing Principals for Leadership in Special Education," which appeared in the winter issue of *Intervention in School and Clinic*. Congratulations, Lynn.

Thanks to all for the correspondence.

1967

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By the time you read this column, you should already be making plans to attend our 30th class reunion in May 1998. I know — it's impossible that we graduated that long ago — but please come anyway! Everyone who attended our 25th Reunion pledged to bring someone who wasn't there for the 30th, so it's time to get busy!

The alumni office passed along news of **Lynnea Johnson Kowaleski**. She married Jeff Miller in 1968; he graduated from George Washington Medical School; and they had one son, who is now a senior at U.Va. They lived in Mississippi, Virginia and California. Divorced in the 1980s, Linda then married Thomas Kowaleski in 1985. They have one son, born in 1988. Linda has worked for the U.S. Army Information Systems Software Center for the last 17 years, and now heads up customer support for the entire center.

I always appreciate hearing from **Maureen Murphy McCart** because she passes along so much news! She is now the alumnae director at Notre Dame Prep in Baltimore, her alma mater. **Sue Farnham Pitt** has a similar job in Cleveland. Maureen says that as a result of her work, she has a new appreciation of, and has become a soft touch for, the MWC Alumni Association!

Maureen's daughter received her master's in education from Lynchburg College last spring; her son graduated from Dartmouth and plans to go to law school. Maureen shared that **Diane Hammond Witterich** is now an empty-nester, as her youngest son went off to college.

Nancy Bell Patterson has one son graduating from high school and one from Penn State. **Judy Jackson Jones** has gotten her real estate license and is selling in the Richmond area. If you're relocating, give her a call!

Suzanne VanNess '69 has twin girls who graduated last spring — one from Pacific Lutheran College with a degree in nursing and one from Boston College, who is going into the Peace Corps. Son Jeff lives in D.C. Luckily, Suzanne is a travel agent, so she can visit them all!

I received a thoughtful note from **Francis Wills Stevens**, agent for the Class of '43, sending along a column from the Raleigh, N.C., newspaper about **Jane Winders Richardson**. The columnist wrote,

> Almost 20 years ago, a remarkable foster mother named Jane Richardson set out to make Christmas as memorable for all foster children as it is for your kids and mine. The Greater Raleigh Exchange Club signed on to the project, and I agreed to tell you about it. And you took it from there. To say that it has been successful is an understatement. Even though the need has grown... the response has been heartwarming. Last year more than $31,000 in presents and donations were distributed to the kids.

The column went on to explain that the Exchange Club sets up a tree in the mall with the "names and Christmas dreams" of foster kids. Participants choose a name and buy the gifts, which are then wrapped and distributed by the club. If you would like more information on the project, contact Jane.

I've been carrying around a wonderful note from **Susan Blosser Wight** for the last year, and finally have an opportunity to share her news. In 1968 she married Richard, her college love from U.Va., and moved to California, Texas and Germany while he was in the Army. From 1976 to 1986, they lived in Memphis, where Susan was a hospital administrator and Richard owned a small business. They sold the business in 1986, traveled in Europe for a year, and then settled in Virginia Beach, Susan's girlhood home. Susan keeps busy with the arts, charity boards and her dogs. She plays golf, gardens, skis and scuba dives in her spare time. She lives a block from the ocean and extends an invitation to all Class of '68ers to come and visit.

I am still working with the Success for All project but have relocated to Southern California, where I am the director of the company's regional training center. We are currently working with about 70 project schools in a four-state area. It's an intense and challenging job requiring frequent travel, and I love it! My son, Todd, graduated from the U. of Colorado and is now a travel agent in Melbourne, Australia. By the time you read this, I will have returned from my first visit "down under," and I can hardly wait. My daughter, Anne, graduated from Colorado State U. and is the assistant director of a preschool in Denver. She was married in July 1995 to her high school sweetheart, and they are making me a grandmother in January. To complete the picture, I recently became engaged to Ash Asensio, a name you may recognize. We were divorced for eight years and are thrilled to have "found" each other again when he relocated to Palm Desert, Calif., two years ago.

I have talked to **Sally Monroe Kelly** several times since I moved here, but as of this writing we haven't seen each other in person! I hope that will no longer be true by the time you read this — she lives 30 minutes away from me! **Pam Tompkins Huggins** and her family visited Sally last spring break.

I was glad to be able to spend some time catching up with **Dale Saunders Kalkofen** '68 when our paths crossed at a conference in Memphis January '97. Dr. Kalkofen is working with a school reform initiative. Small world!

I've been dragged kicking and screaming into the age of technology and can now be reached by e-mail. So you really have no excuses left for not sending along your news.

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1970

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Being your class agent is a wonderful job. I love going to my mailbox and finding your very special letters.

Doralece Lipoli Dullaghan writes from Oakland, Calif., that her dream of being involved in the food industry expanded from her management of the first Sur La Table store in Berkeley to the introduction of its first cooking program. Doralece has been promoted to program coordinator with responsibility for the cooking programs, demonstrations, author appearances and special events in both the Bay Area stores. In 1996, her husband, Bill, took the position of senior vice president at Monument Mortgage "with the exuberance he brings to every new venture." They've even had time to travel — a family cele-

bration cruise to Alaska, which included a rafting adventure!

Kathy Page Feek in Seattle, Wash., sent pictures of three extremely handsome young men — turns out these are her sons! "My boys are great, growing up and leading interesting lives — my theater man has graduated from college, my music man is in college and my athlete is a high school freshman." Kathy is finishing a doctoral program in education leadership and is consulting with several school districts, the University of Washington and even the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. She is also painting again and "trying to do more *real* things to counter-attack the abstract world of graduate school and education work."

Two classmates wrote from Florida. For **Faye Carrithers Roberts** in Lake City, the year 1996 got off to a rocky start when her husband, Claude, became seriously ill and spent months recovering. He is now able to work full time at his teaching job at Hamilton Correctional Institution and spends his spare time maintaining the pine and pecan groves. Faye is busy as director of the Columbia County Public Library and as mom to Jordan, who participated in All State Chorus and All State Symphonic Band, as well as attending the Southeast U.S. Honor Band at Troy State U. and singing at Carnegie Hall with his choral ensemble! Daughter Shelly graduated with honors from Florida State U. in 1996 and was hired by Pace Marketing, a Tallahassee advertising firm.

The second Florida letter came from **Carole LaMonica Clark**, who is relaxing in their dream house on the Choctawhatchee Bay. "We had a dock built and (husband) Ted bought a 27-foot Proline fishing boat so he could fish in the Gulf of Mexico, too." Carole and Ted lived in Reston, Va., but, in '93 when Ted retired from the CIA, Carole quit her job and they moved south. Their retirement sounds pretty busy to me — "We joined our local volunteer fire department and have completed the first-responder course, which means we are qualified to provide emergency medical care and CPR." They were also planning to take the fire-fighting course, and Carole works as the department secretary. Once a week she is the dispatcher at the station. In addition, both Carole and Ted are involved with the homeowners association where they live and numerous church activities. As she says, "Sometimes I think I'm busier than when I worked for a living! But it's all fun."

From Massachusetts, **Martha Christian Santoro** says that she and husband Mike now live in Wilbraham, a small town in the western part of the state noted for its trees and peaches. They were transferred four years ago from Charleston, S.C., and as she noted, "To say we experienced culture shock is an understatement." Martha is teaching law at the U. of Massachusetts and Western New England College. Her older daughter, Mary Catherine, is a junior at Hollins in Roanoke, and Anne is a high school senior. When she wrote, the "college search marathon" was beginning again!

Catharine Rossi Mannering wrote from Comfort, Texas, that she was pleased to have been included in a '96 Class Notes column as "it helped get me back in touch with a lot of old friends from MWC, who wrote to say how excited they were about our B&B." She reports happily that the B&B is "staying busy." Son Michael, who graduated from the Air Force Academy in June 1994, is in his third year of medical school in Bethesda, Md., and was married in June 1997. Daughter Kelly and husband Derek have two children. Catharine also mentioned that the wonderful Texas longhorns — remember Lily Go-Lightly and Light-Foot Lily? — are fine; the latter has been reproducing! Her off-spring is a bull-calf named Don Domingo Fandango!

Another update: **Karen Anderson Muszynski** has graduated from George Washington U. in D.C. and now has a doctoral degree. She continues working at the National Cancer Institute. Karen, Sam and their two children live in New Market, Md., in a 200-year-old house which is purported to have several ghosts — one that teases and torments their dog, Spenser. The house, once a tavern, has a walk-in fireplace and no closets. "This," says Karen, "is the price you pay for charm." She admits it is easy to get around in New Market because there is only one main street, and they live on it. Although they are enjoying some aspects of small town life, Karen says she still misses the "cosmopolitan aspects" of living in the city.

Angela Taylor Hume, in Port Tobacco, Md., reports that she is still teaching English and American history at a Catholic school in La Plata, Md., where she is head of the English department and chairperson of the junior high — "lots of meetings and paper work, but I love teaching the kids." Angela is also active in her church where she is a lector, Eucharist minister and works with the social outreach program. Her oldest son graduated from Duke in '93 and is a computer data analyst with the FBI in D.C. Younger son is studying accounting at Elon College.

Barbara Forgione Tansey, in Hanover, Md., writes that she and husband Bruce have plans to build a dream home in South Carolina on beautiful Lake Thurmond. In the meantime, Bruce is still doing investment work with USPA and IRA. Daughter Lisa has secured a position as a commercial editor at the TV station in Harrisonburg, Va., where she interned during her senior year at Mary Baldwin.

Anne Jones Thomas is residing in Aiken, S.C., and working for the U.S. Department of Energy as the classification officer at the Savannah River site. Husband John, to whom she has been married for 23 years, is a computer engineer. Son Mark is a pre-med student at the U. of South Carolina, while Doug is a sophomore in high school.

The last time we heard from **Conde Palmore Hopkins**, she and husband Hop had just started their own company, but she was still teaching high school in Ashland, Va. Trio Fasteners has done so well that Conde has "reluctantly — even tearfully" retired from the school system. Afraid that she would really miss teaching, she has actually been having so much fun that she doesn't mind not being in the classroom. As empty-nesters, they've also bought 30 wooded acres "in the middle of nowhere in Caroline County" and have been working to finish a small house on the property. She announced that "middle age finds me as content as I've ever been." That's certainly a lovely state of mind!

Deborah Walker Powell sent good news from Appomattox, Va., where she "finally realized a lifelong dream and along with two partners opened the first bed-and-breakfast in Appomattox" last year. The Babcock House has been a wonderful learning experience, as she has done "everything from gutting the building to marketing to decorating." Debbie also reports that daughter Katie was graduated from William and Mary and has begun a teaching career at a primary school.

Mary Karen Vellines' letter from New York reflected a mixture of sadness and joy. In October 1996 her father passed away after a lengthy illness, then she lost her uncle about a month later. She remarked that, although this was a difficult time, "illness and death were remarkably counterbalanced by family reunion and the loving support of friends and neighbors." Earlier in 1996 her daughter, Farrell, suffered from a life-threatening kidney infection, but she rebounded and completed her sophomore year at Colby on schedule, managed a pool in Charlotte in the summer and raced in a national cross country championship event in the fall. This year Farrell went to Australia to study at the U. of Melbourne for the second semester of her junior year. Mary Karen continues to love her job at Hamilton College and was promoted to associate dean of admissions in summer 1996. She noted, "Perhaps my biggest accomplishment of the year was completing the 15K Boilermaker Road Race in July."

In Charlottesville, Va., **Dinah McGuire Douglas** is now a licensed professional counselor as of April 1996 and continues to work in the local mental health clinic. Her daughter is a freshman at Longwood College, majoring in secondary education with an eye to becoming a high school administrator. As she contemplated her daughter's departure for college and her son's acquiring his learner's permit, she remarked, "I hate getting old and I'm being dragged into it, kicking and screaming!" Classic Dinah, yes?

After 26 years of silence, **Mary Ann Martin Lowery** decided it was time to send news about herself! After our MWC graduation, she was married in July and hired by Henrico Co., Va., to teach elementary music. She taught for four years and then stayed home for the next 13 with her two children. Eight years ago she was hired to teach music in Chesterfield County, Va., and is still doing that very thing at an elementary school in Chester, Va. Mary Ann says she has become quite involved with two state music teacher organizations: she is on the executive board of the Virginia Organization of Kodaly Educators and, at the time of her letter, was the president-elect of the Virginia Elementary Music Educators Association. She was looking forward to seeing **Brenda Jennings Louthian** at a workshop last spring.

Rochele H. C. Hirsch continues to cover the globe! In 1996 she was in Indonesia for work, stopped off in Bali for a break, then went to a conference in Brazil which included an all-day trip down the Amazon River. Rochele got home to Atlanta in time for the Olympics and a visit from **Kathy Page Feek** and family. Eventually she was in Singapore for more work and then visited friends while on a very interesting trip to Bangladesh.

Martha Moon Beck Etherington keeps busy with "historic Richmond, the Maymont Foundation, gardening and two dogs." She got to see **Janice Holmes Davis** and her husband, Billy, at a birthday celebration, but otherwise she admits to being "lousy about keeping up with anyone." I'm sure we can all relate to that problem, but one way to stay current with old friends is to read Class Notes and send me your news. Look for my next reminder postcard!

1971

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1972

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1973

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1974

Alice Harding Thomas
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Janelle Hicks Wesenberg
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Bowie, MD 20716

From Alice:

Not a lot of news, but here are a few tidbits that missed the last issue. We heard from **Deborah (Debbie) Parsons Tornfelt**. She and her husband, John, live in New York. Debbie is director of school advancement in a private school and John is teaching at Canisius College in Buffalo. She has a daughter, who is a sophomore at Purdue, and a 16-year-old son.

Janelle got a great letter from **Bernadine (Bern) Kluchar Gaunt** in Lone Tree, Colo., near Denver. Bern works for First Data Corp. and her husband, Bruce, is a main frame consultant. She reports that they — including cats Hershey and Shadow — are adjusting to living a mile high and are happy they made the move.

I was so pleased to hear from **Marcia Westerman Neighbors** from Fincastle, Va. She and Mack will have two in college next year. The exciting news was that she had heard from **Gael Darling Nappa** after too many years to count! Gael plans to make it back to the next reunion.

Drop us a line. It's Janelle's turn to write Class Notes next, and she loves it when she has 30-40 letters to edit and type, so make her happy!

1975

Susan Early Decesari
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1976

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The Class of 1976 would like to extend its deepest sympathy and prayers to **Patti Showalter Lisk** and her husband, Ron. The loss of their beautiful daughters, Kristin and Kati, is beyond words. We hope that we will be able to help in some way. A memorial scholarship fund has been established in the area: The Kristin and Kati Lisk Memorial Trust Fund, c/o Crestar Bank, Box 1709, Spotsylvania, VA 22553.

1977

Nancy Leggett McGee
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We had a bang-up reunion under magnificent skies, and everyone who attended had a fabulous time! Makes me wish I could've been there! I heard from a few of you right after the reunion and appreciated your prompt news.

Mary Byrd sent me excerpts of the 20-year reunion handout with up-to-date info for classmates. It was great to read about everyone's lives. Mary's exciting news was that she joined the writing staff of "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman" in April — a dream come true — and hopefully we will see one of her writing credits in 1998. At the reunion, she saw and sent news of many classmates. **Jacquelyn Alby Gardner** is the vice president of J. M. Gardner Insurance, has three children, is active in the Junior League, sings in the church choir and volunteers at her children's schools. **Pamela Davis**, when not traveling around the country for her career, spends time working on her quiet farm in the Virginia countryside.

Laurene Fisher Calloway is back at work teaching music, movement and drama to grades PK-5 at Fredericksburg Academy. Her three children and community activities keep the rest of her life filled to the brim. **Victoria Geis Mumford** is the associate director of human resources at IGEM International, which specializes in medical diagnostics. She has one son and manages to find time to occasionally keep her hand in the theater with workshops and performing dramatic readings. **LeAnne Golden Wilson** is an enrollment manager for CIGNA in Silver Spring, Md., and has two children under the age of five — another full-time job! **Grace Matheny Lalonde** is a dance instructor for the Montgomery County department of recreation. She has two girls. **Teri Miles** is an attorney for Circuit City stores in Richmond. She received her J.D. degree from T. C. Williams School of Law in 1987. **Janet Rader Ellis** spent most of the past 15 years working on Wall Street and is now a full-time mother of two.

Alison Slade Burchett is a CPA for Burchett and Scaruzzo in Woodbridge, Va. She and her husband stay involved in their church and their four children's schools and sports activities. **Vicki Sprague Church** is the president of Westwick Sales and Marketing in Las Vegas, Nev. Owning her own company requires a lot of hours, but she still finds time to raise her two children and enjoy all types of theater and performing arts. **Kathleen Williams Price** received a master's in pastoral studies from Loyola U. in 1989. Her husband, Jim, recently died of complications resulting from leukemia. Kathleen enjoys reading and entertaining and is very involved with her church and her 4-year-old daughter's activities. **Theresa Young Crawley** stays busy with her dental practice in Fredericksburg and is currently in the process of establishing a free clinic for the indigent. She has also served on the MWC Foundation and alumni boards for several years and is currently president of the Alumni Association. You can believe Mary Byrd had a great time catching up with all these classmates!

I also heard from **Linda Green Gaston**, who drove up from Georgia with her family for the reunion. She picnicked with former roommates **Mimi Morrell Erwin** and **Darlene Calandra**. At the class party she saw **Ron Napier**, an attorney for Napier and Napier in Front Royal, Va., and his wife, **Katherine Pritchard Napier** '78, as well as **Nancy Dolan Gorum**, who works for the U.S. Naval Academy alumni association and is the managing editor of *Shipmate Magazine*. From what Linda wrote me, the reunion was well worth the journey and she is already looking forward to our 25th.

Drucilla Davis Knutsen sent news that she was recently named the new plant manager for Mannington Resilient Floors company's cushion plant operations. This appointment came after 14 years of industrial experience in research and development, technology and business management, and manufacturing plant management with Geon Company, Shell Chemical and Shell Development Companies. Drucilla received her doctorate in chemistry from the U. of California at Berkeley.

I enjoyed a local San Diego MWC alumni social early in May. It was exciting to see how well MWC is keeping pace with today's technology and academic challenges without losing the feel and appearance of a small and caring college in touch with the needs of each and every student.

1978

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1979

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From Sallie:

Barbara Goliash Emerson, whom I run into from time to time in Alexandria, passed along a letter from **Vickie Harris Sands**. Vickie wrote that she and her family have moved to Barrington, R.I., after six years in Burke, Va. Her husband, Jeff, has a professorial appointment at the Naval War College. They were expecting their third child. In her spare time, Vickie has been taking courses in preparation for entering a master's program in elementary education at Rhode Island College.

1980

Patty Goliash Andril
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My thanks to everyone who sent news recently. **Ford Hart** wrote from halfway around the world in Taiwan. Prior to that, he and Katharine lived in Arlington, Va., only a few blocks from me, and we never realized it. Ford continues to be busy with his foreign service career. He spent the last five years in Washington, D.C., at the State Department. He worked for three years as the politico-military affairs officer and then for two years as the Kazakstan desk officer. He is now in Taiwan for advanced Mandarin language training in preparation for an assignment to the U.S. Embassy in Beijing. Ford wrote that Katharine is also a foreign service officer and is preparing for her first tour in China. Ford says he hopes that all MWC alumni traveling to China over the next three years will contact him.

Kathy McMullen Lueckert wrote from the Minneapolis area where she and husband Don (alias "Bear" to many at MWC) moved about four years ago. They enjoy living there with their golden retriever. Kathy is the assistant city manager of Plymouth, Minn., a western suburb of Minneapolis with a population of 58,000. She reported that her job is never dull. Don works for Select Comfort.

Kathy had news of **Molly Dundon Leighton** '81. She and Molly had roomed together for two years but lost touch after graduation for over 12 years. She found out Molly was living in St. Paul, Minn., of all places, and getting together is now quite easy. Molly and husband Pat have two boys.

Lisa (Bremby) Brehm Ellis sent a lovely

letter. She lives in the Fair Lakes area of Fairfax, Va., and has three children. Lisa works part time at General Research Corporation International as a systems engineer. Her current project involves a telecommunications commercial product.

Lisa also had news about a few classmates. **Joanne Whelan Nikitakis**, husband Jim and three children live in Fredericksburg, Va., where Jim's restaurant business is really booming. **Janine Peake Geanuracos** and husband John still live in England and have a baby girl, Allegra.

Lisa's last bit of news was about **Mary Hobson**, who lives in Martinsburg, W.Va., where she is a nurse mid-wife. After years of a successful computer career, she went back to school and earned a bachelor's in nursing. She then went on to get a double master's degree in public health and mid-wifery. She loves her new field.

Katy Hayman Sommers also wrote with news of many friends. In summer 1995 several MWC alumni got together when **Lynn Honeycutt Hellums** married Eric Wagner. They now live in Richmond, along with Lynn's daughter, and are expecting a baby in July. Lynn is working as a medical technologist .

Kathy Snyder Dooling came from Fayetteville, Ark., for the wedding. Kathy left MWC after her junior year and graduated from James Madison U. Her husband, Tom, is with Proctor and Gamble; Kathy is a district manager with Longaberger Baskets. They have three sons.

Terri Moynihan Snidow lives in Richmond, Va., with husband Bobby and their four children. She is a physician with a specialty in neonatology. **Sandy Jones Adams** is a CPA and works for the state government. She also lives in Richmond with her husband, Mike, and their two sons.

Leslie Zehmer Campbell retired from teaching high school and is now home full time. She and husband Chip live in Bowling Green, Va., with their three children.

Lori Rosche Davis '81 and **Audrey Komito Thomson** '81 were also at the wedding. Lori and Larry live in Charlottesville, Va., with their two children. Audrey and Gordon are back in Richmond, Va., after traveling the world with the Air Force and the country with various commercial airlines. Audrey is home full time with their two children.

Katy also keeps in touch with **Ellen Schramm Erath** and **Kathy Walen Benedict**. Ellen and Paul, with three children, still live on Long Island. Kathy left MWC after her sophomore year to transfer to U. California at Santa Barbara. After receiving her master's in speech pathology and spending time with the Peace Corps in Honduras, she and Jim settled in the Los Angeles area, where they both work in the public schools. They now live in Los Osos, Calif., with their three children.

Holly Kelley Rison lives in Ashland, Va., and works in the financial aid department at Randolph-Macon College. She and Townes are restoring an old house and raising three children.

As for Katy, she lives in Chesapeake, Va., with husband John and their two children. She is working part time as the executive director of Children's Resources in Hampton Roads. It is a non-profit foundation which raises money to support group homes and programs for disadvantaged youth.

I heard from my dear friend **Linda Ellen Jones** recently. She received tenure and promotion to associate professor of ceramic engineering and science at Alfred U. in New York. If all goes well, Linda will be coming to visit me in late May for a weekend of sailing on the Chesapeake Bay.

Thanks for all the letters; please continue to write.

1981

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From Lori:

Congratulations to Jamie and **Karen Snyder Boff** on the birth of their third daughter in May. As if the excitement of a new baby weren't enough, they moved in early summer to Marietta, Ga., where Jamie accepted a job with Lockheed Martin. In the meantime, they were busy trying to sell their home in Ellicott City, Md. Karen has taken an indefinite leave of absence from her job and is now a full-time at home mom.

David Turley and **Colleen McCahill Turley** are really enjoying their new roles as parents to Nolan, born in November '96. David has a new job as a programmer/analyst with Computer Based Systems Inc. He is doing Internet development for a government contract while continuing to pursue a master's in information systems.

Ellen Stanley is directing public relations and promotion for National Geographic Television's domestic product, which appears on NBC, TBS, PBS, plus syndication, etc. Outside of work she keeps busy with church, tennis and golf. Unfortunately, her grandmother passed away in February at the age of 97. It was on her grandmother's advice that Ellen applied to MWC!

Barbara Strickland graduated from the Naval War College in Newport, R.I., in November with a master's in national security and strategic studies. Jay and **Wendy Prothro Howard** '82 welcomed Miriam Halsey, their fourth child, third daughter, in April.

Kathryn Martin Moller received a master's degree in dance from James Madison U. in 1983 and subsequently was appointed to teach at Salisbury State College in Maryland. In 1993 she earned a doctorate in drama from the U. of Colorado and was appointed associate professor at Ft. Lewis College in Durango, Colo. Kathryn was married in 1990 to Martin Moller, and they now have a daughter, Sienna.

1982

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1983

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I got together with **Mary (Muffin) Williamson Wilson** in April. She was in Louisville visiting in-laws when her two boys and my three boys got to wreak havoc together. Muffin was due with baby number three in October '97. Speaking of babies, congratulations **to Kathy Walters Along** on the birth of a son and to **Hope Martin Chenault**, who had a daughter.

Mabel Royal e-mailed that she is working as a scientist in quality control for Covance, a biopharmaceutical company in Research Triangle Park. **Cathy Cooke** visited MWC in April '97 and attended the "Celebrating Multicultural Diversity" Fair. She said the campus was in full spring bloom and was very festive. Remember those beautiful spring days on Ball Circle?

I finally recovered from a round of Kentucky Derby parties, where this year I met Loni Anderson, Barbara Eden, Don Rickles, Lea Thompson, Bo Derek and Lorrie Morgan. What fun!

Please keep those letters and e-mails coming — it's never too late to write. Keep in mind our 15th Reunion is coming up in May 1998. I hope to see you there.

1984

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From David:

This installment is mostly about twins. Since our last Class Notes, **Jesse Forbes** and **Teresa Nugent Forbes** have had two beautiful twin girls, Jennifer and Emily. **Selma Maloof Kossol** and her husband, Bill, expect twins later in 1997.

After six long years, I finally finished my master's in education.

Classmates, I urge you to drop me a line. I would like to expand the next Class Notes!

1985

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From Sigrid:

It was nice to catch up with many of you. Can you believe it's already been 12 years since graduation?

Jennifer Seamon Wise is still in Maryland with husband Jim and two children. **Donna Servedio O'Neill** and husband Tim were married in March 1996 and live in Germantown, Md. Present at the wedding were **Linda Leonard Bentley**, with husband **Mark Bentley** '86, and **Mary-alice McHale**.

Julie Clark moved back to Northern Virginia from New York, where she had been working for Le Cordon Bleu. **Kathleen Dwyer Miller**, husband Gregg and daughter Madeline still live in Redondo Beach, Calif., and they welcomed little sister, Rebecca, on Halloween 1996. **Kathy Chapline Trott** and husband Tom live in Frederick, Md. Kathy was expecting baby number two in late May 1997.

Jeannie Smith Hobgood and husband Mark have one son, who is in preschool. Jeannie works at Dahlgren and lives in Indian Head, Md. She and **Kathy Goeller Booth** talked at Christmastime and Jeannie mentioned that she'd decided to pursue her master's in computer science. **Kim O'Hara Rademacher** lives in Richmond with husband Jimmy and two sons. Kim is working half days with a nursery school group, which works out wonderfully while her kids are small.

As for me, husband Scott and I are expecting our third child in late November 1997. My job is being "mommy" for the most part, but I am also teaching Spanish three times a week at a day-care center in Owings Mills, Md., to kindergartners and 4-year-olds. It's quite a challenge teaching a foreign language to pre-readers, but I'm really enjoying it!

Kathy Goeller Booth and I recently enjoyed a delightful Sunday brunch at the Johns Hopkins Club in Baltimore with the Baltimore chapter of the MWC Alumni Association. We were reacquainted with some alumni we'd met at other functions, and we also saw a lot of new faces. It's great to hear the latest MWC campus news and to reminisce a bit as well. Kathy is still living in Catonsville, Md. She and husband Miles are getting ready for their annual vacation to Cape Cod.

Kathy provided me with updates on friends from other classes. **Joanne Brenton Carter** '84 still lives in Alexandria, Va., with husband **Jeff Carter** '84 and two children. **Beth Goeller** '88 moved to Manchester, N.H., in 1996 to be with long-time beau **Thad Matthews** '89, who works for Lockheed Martin. Beth works for Banana Republic.

For all you computer enthusiasts, take a moment to check out MWC's Website (www.mwc.edu).

We'd love to hear from you!

1986

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The e-mail thing seems to be working! Send your addresses and notes in!

John Hummel, who married wife Lisa in 1994, holds a faculty position in the department of psychology at U. of California at Los Angeles. **Jean Edelman** also joined the e-mail network and filled us in on several classmates. Jean, husband John and daughter Jacqueline live in Herndon, Va., where they are anticipating the arrival of a new baby. Jean works for Lockheed Martin.

Kathleen (BoBo) Bohan Burgess and husband David are both working from their home in Reston, Va., and fill their spare time with their two boys. Kathy works for Discovery Toys. **Chris Mastal Winicki**, husband Tony and son Nicholas have moved to Seaside, Calif., where Chris, who was expecting a second baby in 1997, is working on her master's in health administration.

Mary Martha Stewart Raine and her husband, Michaux, recently vacationed in Italy. **Mary Blair Davenport**, who resides in Death Valley with her husband, Dan, visited with **Mary Shipe** in D.C. last fall. Mary Blair and Dan celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary in March with a big party at the Stratosphere Tower in Las Vegas. **Kathy Powers Cunius** and her family, who recently relocated to Pittsburgh, have now settled in Russell, Ohio.

Kim Mears, who works for TADCORPS and is the project coordinator for the NASA executive and project management training, traveled last March to Madrid where she took in the sights and renewed ties with old friends. Kim also filled us in on a few of our classmates. **Bonnie Norris Niemeyer**, who is a manager of mission design at the Goddard Space Flight Center, and husband Lee have a son. It is rumored that **Sandra Schermerhorn Panther** and husband Dennis have moved to Tennessee. **Brent Davis** and **Paul Killmer** are working at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C., as manager and assistant manager of museum services. Brent occasionally runs into **Lori Brubaker** when Lori's company, Ridgewell Catering, handles museum events. **Troy Knighton**, Ph.D., is the director of HIV testing and counseling at the Whitman Walker Clinic in Washington, D.C. **Ann Huber Gorham** and husband Lynnwood welcomed their son into their lives in February '97. **Susan Loyd Williams**, husband Scott and sons live in the Charlotte, N.C., area. **Tina Sandridge Carlston** and husband Chris built a house in 1996 and expected to fill it with their first addition in July.

Ginny Farqharson, her husband, Frank, and daughter Meghan welcomed a new baby into the family. The word around town is that **Mark Szymczak** has become a father. **Craig Dietz** and **Alexa Greco Dietz** are the proud parents of Benjamin. **Jocelyn Piccone** is engaged to Kirk Allgood with nuptials scheduled for August 1997 — they have joined the ranks of home owners, purchasing a home in Kettering, Ohio.

Irene Thomaidis, **Lisa Harvey**, **Kristi McCune** and **Stephanie Doswald Sebolt** got together in Richmond for a March weekend of fun and frolic after Lisa was sworn in as member of the Bar of the District of Columbia. She joined the law firm of Rubin and Rudman in Boston. Lisa also sneaked in visits with **Brent Davis** and **Troy Knighton** in Alexandria and **Mina Holden-Horn** in Baltimore. Irene, who lives on historic Monument Avenue in Richmond's Fan District, started her own business last year counseling non-profit organizations and start-up businesses on development initiatives. Irene planned a trip to Greece during summer 1997. News sources report that **Christi Davis O'Brien** is practicing law in Austin, Texas, where she is building her dream house with her husband. **Ray LaMura** and his wife, **Alison Metzger**, recently had their second baby. Ray works for the Virginia Bankers Association. **Cindy Smith**, who works for a law firm in Richmond, and Henry Waller were planning a fall 1997 wedding. Mina, Lisa and Stephanie got together with **Brenda Thier Evans** and **Kim Mears** to participate in the Preakness festivities at Pimlico in May.

E-mail also brought us in touch with **Jocelyn Gobs Smith**, who reports that she, husband Reeves and two children moved to a farmhouse at the base of a mountain in Loudoun County. Jocelyn informs us that **Heidi Reszies Lewis** and Paul married shortly after graduation and have two children. Paul is with Hecht's management at the Spotsylvania Mall and Heidi is an artist. **Debbie Ortiz Frey** married Charlie and lives in Alabama with their daughter. **Tina Schooler Hamme** and husband Philip live in Winchester, Va., with their two daughters.

Stephanie Doswald Sebolt and husband Dan recently purchased a home in Salem, Va. **Catalina Parada**, who lives and works in Chicago, has started Jeffrey Miller & Associates, a marketing and organizational consulting firm which serves architectural, engineering, business communications and manufacturing companies.

Liz Prout ran in the Marine Corps marathon in fall 1996. **Kathleen Caughill Delacruz** married Charlie in Baltimore last May. **Sara Martin Uzel** is working as the manager for NASA Telecommunications at NASA headquarters. Sara and her husband have two children. **Karen Schrader**, who is working on an engineering degree, recently became engaged to Mark Rafa. **Cathy McBride Harrison** and husband Alan have two children. **Mary Jane Evans Dale** is teaching second grade at The Talent House School in Northern Virginia. **Christi Davis O'Brien** practices law in Austin, Texas, where she is building her dream house with her husband. **Cathy Craighead Mitchell** lives in Fredericksburg with husband Casey.

1987

Jane Ellen Brennan Herrin
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Dr. **Angela Goforth Harrow** and her husband, Joe, have had baby number two. Angela still works as a pharmacist at Williamsburg Community Hospital, and Joe is doing the insurance thing.

Tracy Ryan, now the proud owner of a condo in Ramsey, N.J., is still doing brilliantly at Lehn and Fink.

Laura Reed Link, who lives with husband Andy in Copper Hill, Va., is a microbiologist at the veterinary hospital at Virginia Tech. She looks exactly like she did the day we moved in together in August 1983, and I resent her for it.

Gae Mastin Noble and her husband, Zac, had their second child in summer 1995. In November '96, after Zac returned from Korea, they moved to Fayetteville, N.C. Zac expected to spend last summer in beautiful, downtown Bosnia.

Eva Paramore Seymour relocated to Keyser, W.Va., in June 1996, where she and her husband have 10 acres of land and a house in the works. Eve is teaching special education students in Keyser. She and Rick were expecting their second child in June 1997.

In May 1996 **Jean Barbagallo Mancuso** and husband Joe had the first of many Mancusos. Jean is staying at home these days doing the "mom" thing.

Kemetia Foley, has found the man of her dreams — Brian Drinkard, a fire protection engineer for Virginia Sprinkler. They had dated in high school and hooked up again at their 10-year reunion. He gave her a beautiful sapphire ring surrounded by 12 diamonds. They were wed in October 1996 and have moved to Roanoke. She took a new job at a robotics company.

Betsy Hobbs Hannon '85 and husband Bob live in Mechanicsville, Va., and they have two children. **Eda Gliniecki** and her husband, Rick, live in Salem, Va., with their four furry babies: Jeb, Mooch, Hangman and Aunt Bea.

Chris Marron and his wife, **Jennie Aultmann Marron**, live in Columbia, Md., with their two kids. Jennie has recently taken a day job as a research nurse. **Mike Tringale** is doing well and lives in Washington, D.C.

After three years of working for MTV, MTV News and VH1 News in New York City, **Chris Bonner** '89 decided to go it alone and started his own production company — Crap Factory Productions. And he still does freelance work for MTV and USA Network. He was most recently responsible for the 1996 MTV Year in Review. He spends a lot of his free time in upstate New York and Martha's Vineyard, hanging out with Carley Simon. Chris is also writing a few screenplays and some jammin' tunes. I would tell you more, but his achievements are making me look bad.

Scott Peterson and wife **Lissa Brandon Peterson** are swinging in New York as well. Scott is editor and Batman group liaison at DC Comics. I am not kidding — he edits several of the Batman monthlies. And if that isn't cool enough, he, along with Lissa, is a freelance writer of children's books for HarperCollins. Lissa is currently working on a non-series novel. And they are more proud of producing daughter Kate, born in June 1995.

Hugh McAloon '90 expects to receive a master's in science sometime in 1997 from the S. I. Newhouse School of Syracuse U. in television-radio-film. He's working on all sorts of cool media projects, including an amazing movie script.

Hopefully, it will be a huge success. Hugh, who has a beard now, Chris Bonner and I had a rollicking good time Christmas 1996.

Paul A. Hendricks '89 works for a financial planning firm in Richmond. **Phil Hall** '89 is still working at Dahlgren and loves every minute of it.

Bonnie Lehem '89 is professionally known as Katie McCall. She makes her living as a voice and camera talent. If you head to Richmond, attend the theatrical productions and you'll be sure to find Bonnie on stage. And even more impressive, she is the national hand model for Proctor Silex and Hamilton Beach. Check out any of their small appliances — the lovely hand belongs to Bonnie.

Jim and I are still working at WGSQ, the Country Giant, Paxson Communications — Cookeville. In November 1996 I left the evening air shift and now co-host morning drive. Jim is the news director and morning news anchor — so now we're on the air together. It's a nice change — we actually see each other. I have had some articles published in radio industry magazines, the kind you can't buy in stores — *Gavin* and *Network 40* for starters. I hosted a nationally syndicated countdown show for the first half of 1996 and I went to Los Angeles in April 1996 to receive an award for music director of the year.

And that's a wrap for now.

1988

Jay Bradshaw
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Kenneth Plaia
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From Jay:

I hope this year is as great for you all as it has been for me. In January I assumed the position of chief pilot for Dealaero Inc. Our corporate flight department supports a doctor and his wife in their business and pleasure travels. We have two jets in our fleet: a Westwind I and a Gulfstream II. Last February we took the Gulfstream to St. Petersburg and Moscow, Russia — for two weeks! I shot a boat-load of film, but did not have my cameras with me when I met Mikhael Gorbachev and his wife, Raisa. What a beautiful country it is! But they're 30 years behind us in everyday convenience items. I was well-received as an American, mostly because the U.S. dollar is so sought after. A large majority are learning very quickly the benefit of capitalism. My trip to South Africa is another long story — that I'll save for another issue.

The biggest and best news by far is my engagement to **Kathleen Gately** '90! We first met and dated my senior year at MWC, and that is where I proposed. She came up to the cockpit in the Gulfstream where I popped the big question as we flew over Mary Washington. Both our families and numerous friends were in the back of the plane popping the champagne. Kathy is currently employed by the commercial real estate company Faison & Associates in Alexandria.

At our Grill on the Hill cookout this summer, I got these updates from a number of MWC grads who were in attendance. **Leah Rogers** '90 lives in Vienna and works in Tysons Corner for the executive search firm Dinte Resources. Leah is engaged to marry Lt. Commander. Christopher Murray in fall 1998. **Yvonne Powell Conaster** '90 lives in Montclair in Woodbridge, Va., with husband Bernie and works as a planner for the ONYX Group in Alexandria. She completed a master's degree in urban planning from U.Va. last summer. **Kim Young** '90 and **Tod Schill** '92 were wed in October 1997. Kim has been working as a probation/parole officer in Leesburg, Va., and Tod is a real estate appraiser in Fredericksburg.

Paul Pollard '92, **John Mathias** '92 and **Rob Todd** '92 were all roommates in Falls Church. Paul is a GIS technician for the City of Alexandria; John is coaching little league and working at Bardo Rodeo in Arlington; and Rob married Anne Wesley in July and is working as a systems analyst for Metrica Inc. **Jeff Noonan** '92 lives in Fairfax and works for the World Bank. **Payne Marks** '92 is a Virginia state trooper and lives in Gloucester. **Steve Small** '94 is a Henrico County police officer and lives in Richmond. **Joe** and **Jean Barbagallo Mancuso** '87 moved to Centreville and are enjoying parenthood.

From Kenneth:

As you can see from my address, I've moved once again! After nine years in the D.C. metro area, I've made the big move back to New York. I was recently promoted and transferred with my company and am now a genetics sales specialist for the northeast region of the United States and Canada. I'm selling DNA to labs and teaching basic molecular genetics. By the time you hear from me once again, I hope to be living in Manhattan.

Congratulations to **Peggy Rogers** '87 on her move from Charlottesville, Va., to Gaithersburg, Md. She recently took a position at Oncor Inc. in the technical services department (sitting right next to me!). **Dawn Benner** has left the country once again to teach in the Dominican Republic, although she is still based in Charlotte, N.C.

Amy Moorefield Rabe, who married her husband in Crested Butte, Colo., three years ago, said they met in Telluride where they both worked in restaurants. Her husband, Charlie, is now an elementary school teacher, and she opened a toy store, Kaleidoscope, in the historic downtown area. She and Charlie were expecting their first baby in July '97. Amy also mentioned that **John Pimblett** and wife Christie live in Denver and both work in the computer industry.

Kristen Pedisich '86 is in Virginia, working in America Online's membership department located in Reston. She lives in Ballston in Arlington.

I saw **Lisa Barker** and her brother, Todd, in L.A. in February '97. She's running a house for the mentally disabled and adjusting quite well to West Coast living. I walked into the house and realized how much patience they must have to do this kind of work.

Brian White '89, who moved into the district and still works for CSC, recently finished his master's degree in systems management.

That's what's happening! Keep in touch and start making plans for our upcoming 10-year reunion in June!

1989

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From Leighann:

Thanks so much for the letters! Please keep them coming. It's so great to hear how everyone is doing.

I must start off by telling you our good news. My husband and I are the proud parents of a baby boy born in April 1997. We are beginning to adjust to parenthood, but has this been a learning experience!

Annalee Cobbett writes that she has been practicing law in Seattle, Wash., for over three years. Her solo practice has been open for two years.

Keith Bauer and wife **Debbie Schluter Bauer** '91 live in Madisonville, a rural East Tennessee town about an hour south of Knoxville. Keith is pursuing his doctorate in philosophy at Duquesne U. and an M.S.W. in mental health at Virginia Commonwealth U. Keith reports "no kids yet, but we do have a beautiful, smart golden retriever named Daisy."

Holly Isaacson is recently engaged and is presently working on a master's degree in physical therapy at Regis U. in Denver, Colo. She has been skiing with **Chris Richmond** and **Chrissy LaDouce**, who also live in Colorado.

Lisa Burnett Messner lives in Charlotte, N.C., with husband Tom and cat Phantom. She is a busy analyst with Fidelity Investments. Lisa also reported that **Jennifer Deal Jacoby**, a salesperson for the Yellow Pages, lives in Williamsburg with her husband, Bill. **Dawn Riddle** is working in public relations for the South Carolina governor's office in Columbia. **Debbie Riddle Sivertson** and husband Tim live in Smithfield, Va., and they have a toddler, Nathan. **Kathy Collins Maguire** married Tim in October 1996, and they live in Nutby, N.J.

Michele McClain was back in the States for a couple weeks last winter. She loves living in England and has settled into a house with her two cats. **Anne-Marie Turnage** '90 has just bought a house near State College, Pa. She reports that it is very suburban — it even has a picket fence! I ran into **David Franke** at the opera last winter. I worked with him a couple times before I discovered that the reason he looked so familiar was that he played MWC rugby. He is trying to get into the real estate business in the Richmond area. **Samantha Pillar** '92 is engaged to Gary, a Richmond police officer. **Scott Karr** and **Robin Cunningham Karr** live in Charlottesville, where Scott is finishing his doctorate at U.Va. Robin is the manager of Market Street Wine Shop. They moved to rural Albemarle last summer with their dog and two cats. They traveled to Italy in the spring to visit one of Scott's childhood friends.

1990

Beth Johnston McDonald
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I saw **Charles Stacy** in Williamsburg Fourth of July '96 weekend taking in the fireworks at Colonial Williamsburg. He is now a Methodist minister in Petersburg. **Beth Moore Reeb** had a baby girl. Beth and Mike recently bought a new house in Ashburn, Va. **Bill Germelman** '91 and wife Olga are expecting their third child in December. **Kathy Engelbrecht Roberts** had her fourth child in 1996. She and husband Scott returned to Fredericksburg last year after a two-year stay in Malaysia. **Andrea Schwalm Stolz** '89 and husband John are living in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., and enjoying their son.

I have had the opportunity to see **Sean Dargan**'s band play several times. He has a new eponymous CD out which is excellent — I have no doubt he will be the first rock star out of MWC. If you are interested in getting the CD, it is available at many Northern Virginia record stores, or you can call (703) 448-4975. At one of

Sean's shows in May, I saw Steve Dodge, who has his own business in Fredericksburg making CDs.

I received a great letter from **Hugh McAloon**, who plans to finish his master's in TV-film at Syracuse before moving to Los Angeles later this year. He tells me that **John Reistrup** '91 was married in April, and that **Pat Giglio** is an assistant project manager for Goodwin & Associates in Frederick, Md. **Kevin Shirley** has changed careers and is now selling real estate for Coldwell Banker in Northern Virginia.

My husband, **Brad McDonald**, was on "The New Explorers" on PBS in December '96. The show featured the excavation of a slave site in Williamsburg which Brad assisted on. I am still working in hotel administration and love it. I was excited to win a Silver Award from the American Resort Development Association for a biannual publication which I write and edit. Our daughter goes to the preschool where **Kathryn Courtney Kelchner** works. Kathryn had a baby boy in 1996.

Kathe Kier reports that she received a master's in library and information science from USC. She planned to be married last September to a sportswriter at the paper. **Ken Stuck** and **Wendy Scott Stuck** '92 live in Newport News, Va. Ken is an archaeologist for William & Mary, and Wendy is a high school Spanish teacher.

1991

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1992

Dorothy Ogburn
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From Dorothy:

Anne Bradshaw and **Katharine Marshall Kalvig** sent me some information on many MWC alums. Anne graduated from U.Va. medical school and has started a three-year residency program in pediatrics at Duke U. Katharine was married in 1995 and lives in Fredericksburg. **Michelle Moncure** graduated from George Washington U. with a master's in American studies. **Debbie Mullins** completed her master's in education and is working in Richmond. **Tonia Burton** lives in the 'Burg and is employed by VDOT. **Andrea Feeback** is attending Eastern Virginia medical school in Norfolk. **Kim Brooke** '93 lives in Alexandria and works in the accounting department of an architectural firm. **Cici Callander** works at Uniform Services U. of the Health Sciences in Bethesda and attends graduate school at John Hopkins, where she is working toward a master's in biotechnology.

Congratulations to **Kim Cavedo Cain** '91, who had a baby boy.

1993

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1994

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From Kelly:

Amanda Boshears wrote that she lives in Alexandria, Va., and works for the Defense Logistics Agency. She recently began working toward a master's degree in public administration through Virginia Tech. **Beth LaFleur**, also in graduate school at the U. of Oregon, is studying environmental and natural resource management.

Paul H. (Nick) Miller is engaged to Robin Ramsey, lives in Richmond and works for Quality Inn. **Jill Whelan** also lives in Richmond with **Amy Hepburn**, who works for Owens and Minor. Jill's fiancé, **Andrew Salp**, wrote that he proposed to Jill in Paris in March 1996. Andrew lives and works in Duck, N.C., as a realtor. Jill is a community development officer for Ukrop Supermarkets in Richmond. Their wedding is planned for September 1997 in North Carolina.

Andrew also wrote that **George Townsend** is in his third year at U.Va. law school; **Tracy Dillon** lives in Kernersville, N.C.; and **Melissa Stallings** lives in Fredericksburg and works at Capitol One. **Jackie McCauley Clark** and **Hunter Clark** also live in Fredericksburg and teach school. Thanks for the information Andrew, and best wishes to you and Jill.

I spoke to the recently married **David Winningham** a couple months ago. He lives in North Carolina and works in banking. **Chris Gildea** wrote from San Diego, Calif., that he is a marketing representative for Eastman Kodak. **Paul Sargent** and **Mike Powell** also live in San Diego and work for Arrowhead Insurance Company. Chris said that **David Marks** recently spent a semester at the U. of San Diego law school. Chris keeps in touch with **Heidi Heise**, who lives in Kansas City, Mo., and **Megan Henry van Vleit**. Megan married Miller, a doctor, in August 1996. They live in Rochester, N.Y., and Megan works for an art gallery.

Travis Lee Clements wrote from Hungary that he has an internship at the Budapest veterinary school. He planned to wed Diana Körösi in April 1997. Also still in the realm of higher education is **Aron Keesbury**. He lives in Boston, has a master's in creative writing from Boston U., works for Bedford Books and is a visiting lecturer at Salem State College.

Tessie Otal Crowley married **Patrick Crowley** '95 in August 1995. Tessie works for the U.S. Customs Service as a management program analyst and is a lay counselor on the side. Tessie wrote that **Woody Perry** and his wife, Amie, had a girl in September 1996. **J.J.** and **Pam Voglantz** were expecting their first child in April 1997. They live in South Boston, Va., where J.J. manages Commercial Services, an accounting firm, and Pam is a pharmacist for REVCO.

Congratulations also go to **Jill Coryell**, who had her second child in December 1996. **Dan Oliver** and **Kelly Barnes** married in May 1995. They live in Tallahassee, Fla., where Kelly is working on a master's in art history. Dan earned a master's in social geography from the U. of Miami, Ohio, in summer 1996.

Kirk Ranzetta wrote that he finished his master's in urban affairs and works as an independent contractor for the department of planning and zoning as a historic sites surveyor in St. Mary's County, Md. Kirk also wrote that **Diedre McCarthy** works with the National Parks Service, and that **Allyson Eubank** is engaged and graduated from the U. of Delaware in May 1996.

I saw **Jason Hackenbracht** recently in Lynchburg. He is married and completing his doctorate studies in Ohio. He planned to move to Richmond soon to complete his residency at MCV. **Ryan Wilvert** recently married Carrie Hackenbracht, Jason's sister. They live in Northern Virginia. I also saw **Shelby Driskill** in Lynchburg not too long ago.

The Alumni Association was notified that **Courtney L. Delk** was graduated at the Coast Guard Recruit Training Center in Cape May, N.J., in December 1996.

Congratulations to all of you who have gotten married, started families, embarked on new careers, changed careers and earned advanced degrees. I always look forward to your letters, phone calls and our chance meetings. Best wishes in everything you do, and keep your news coming.

1995

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From Todd:

This is not a request for money, but it is a request for something quite valuable — news from you! As your class agents, it is our responsibility and pleasure to relay current information to your friends and fellow MWC graduates. You needn't be concerned with writing a long letter — a postcard would suffice. So, if you have a few spare minutes and some news to share about yourself or other classmates, please pass it along to one of us.

Wedding bells are tolling throughout the Class of '95! For starters, **Laurel Oliver** married Terry Hackett of Richmond; they celebrated their first anniversary this fall. In early April **Dorie Fryling** married U.Va. graduate Robert Fink in Dorie's hometown of Madison, Wis. The following week **Frank Becker** '96 wed Texas-native Tamela (Tami) Jensen in Burke, Va., with **Todd Mallonee** serving in the role of best man. May is just as busy with **Deann Brandscomb** and **Julian Malcolm** '97 tying the knot. Not long afterward **Maria Webb** exchanged vows with **Ken Stout** '97. June and July included the weddings of **Mike Merritt** '96 to **Heather Spring** '96. Ken and Mike were each the best man in the other's wedding. The most recent announcement came from **Rich Moncrief**, who married **Lara Corcoran** '96 in October. Congratulations all around!

In other news, **Kim Switzer** has been promoted in her job at State Farm Insurance in Charlottesville, and in her spare time she volunteers with Special Olympics track and field. **Julie Kraus** has returned to Virginia and says she "couldn't stay away." **Joe Kirby** has decided to leave J. Riggins for brighter pastures.

Speaking of bright and sunny, **Danny Brooks**, **Rob Hoover**, **Todd Mallonee**, **Renee Adler** '98 and others got together to relax in the sun of Cancun, Mexico.

Write or e-mail if you have any news.

1996

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We've had quite a few classmates venture outside the USA for employment and for fun. **Patricia Balestra** has been working in the Dominican Republic as a volunteer for the Catholic Church. This fall she planned to begin master's work in French literature at NYU in Paris. Patricia wrote that her brother, **Victor Balestra** '94, is working at Nations Bank in Florida. **Kirsten Ulrich** and **Angela Newell** traveled through Europe in summer 1996. Now Kirsten is a financial advisor for Waddell & Reed Financial Services in Pennsylvania, and Angela works for Aerotech in Maryland.

Erica Blair, **Joanna Osborne**, **Pete Steinberg**, **Jamie Wasserman** and **Amy Wood** spent six months working in London during the week and traveling all over Europe on the weekends. Amy, **Jessica Fulmer**, and **Lauren Creamer** spent summer '96 working for Eric Chandler Merchandising in Sponsor Village at the Summer Olympics in Atlanta. **Matthew Ladenheim** also worked in London at a law firm.

Emily Costello teaches conversation business English at the U. of Valenciennes, France, as part of an exchange program with MWC. **Heather Hallowes** and **Amy Gulick** traveled to Europe last fall and backpacked through 17 cities. **Ann Humphreys** joined the Peace Corps after graduation and is stationed in Mauritania, West Africa. **Jamie Pizzorno** has spent the last year working in Kyoto, Japan, as an English teacher and cultural liaison for the government of Japan.

Some of our classmates have found fun and employment within the United States. **Kate Campbell** spent last summer working on a dude ranch in Colorado. Kate is currently furthering her education at Lynchburg College. **Jeanette Feeley** works for ETNA/US Healthcare in Baltimore. Also in Maryland, **Chris Lourens** is working as an accountant. **Joe Brown** works for the American Nurses Association in D.C.; **Audrey O'Brien** has been working at Systems Integrated Research as a graphics illustrator; **Alyssa Martin** moved to Boulder, Colo., and is currently working at Boulder School of Massage Therapy and loves it! Also in Colorado, **Bonnie Bullock** is working for AustraLearn. **Joanne Jackson** works for Allied Signal in New Jersey; **Lauren Smith** is teaching seventh grade English in New Jersey as well as assistant coaching girl's cross country and track teams. **Christina Lutz** is a research analyst in the office of development at Saint Joseph's U. **Rebecca Collinson** was working in an art gallery in Lexington, Mass., but planned to return to Virginia last summer. **Troy Huffman** recently moved to Myrtle Beach and is an assistant manager at Enterprise Rentacar.

Emilie Hopkins has been busy certifying to teach art in Pittsburgh and was planning to search for an art teaching position this fall. She spent the summer as the 2-D art director at Chatham College summer art and music day camp. **Jeff DeBellis** and **Rick Oppedisano** are living together and working in Chapel Hill, N.C. **Neil Roed** rang in the new year 1997 with a move to San Diego. **Elizabeth deGruy** moved to Champaign, Ill, and was perusing grad schools for art history. **Joe Farrell** is in New York, working for Barnes and Noble in human resources. Also in New York, **Liz Darcy** is working with CBS News and will be attending the '98 Olympics in Japan. **Jenn Price** is an office manager in South Bend, Ind.; **Mary Kay Hazlewood** lives in Ohio and is a store manager.

Kevin Cooke and **Mike Mattock** live in Alexandria. Kevin works as a contract administrator for Red Coats Inc. Mike was working at a law firm as a paralegal and preparing to attend law school this fall. **Dina Frech** is employed by an accounting firm in Newport News. **Caz Yasutis** joined **Jeff Kramer** and **Wyland Leadbetter** at MCI in Reston. **Suzy Chenault** headed back to school last fall after working as a personal trainer in Williamsburg. **Brad Kroll** is an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps and is training at Quantico. **Cordis Carter** is a national trainer for Lone Star Restaurants. **Angie Long** works for Northwest Mutual in McLean and is planning to head back to school this fall. **Rick Schettler** passed the CPA exam and now works for Cotton & Co. **Christine Warden** is currently studying for the CPA exam and is working as a budget analyst. **Andrea Frome** works at Tetra Tech Environmental Management Inc. and is currently considering a career change. Andrea never could sit still, could she? She is planning a backpacking trip through Europe and ran the Pittsburgh Marathon on May 4. Joining Andrea at Tetra Tech is **Bryan Smith**, who is hoping to move from Fredericksburg to the Northern Virginia area. **Michelle Labbe** works at the Fitness Club at Reston Town Center, and **Sarah King** works for Logicon. Also working in Reston are **David Carey**, **John Opiola** '95, **Chris Brady** '95 and **John Lillis** '95. They all work for Learning Tree International.

Julie Margolis lives in Reston and works for America Online. **Elena Kitzantides** works for a company which deals with non-profit organizations. **Brandi Flanagan** is working for a financial business group. **Amber Kintigh** manages an Express retail store in Richmond. Also in Richmond are **Kathleen Dooley** and **Kim Gossett**. Kathleen works at Circuit City Stores Inc. corporate office, and Kim works at Pamplin Park and the Children's Museum. **Jenn Burks** and **Jennifer Hendricks** both work for Capital One, also in Richmond. **Christa Moscovis** was very busy after graduation — working three jobs! She worked at Snowden, at Family Teamwork, which does intensive in-home counseling, and at the Fairfax County Police Association. Christa began grad school this fall at Va. Tech's northern Virginia's graduate center in Falls Church. **Tug Martin** works in Hampton as an independent contractor while waiting to apply to the Virginia Pilot Association's apprenticeship program. **Matt Clark** works in Rosslyn as a communications assistant with the National Electrical Manufacturers Association and believes he's going on tour with David Lee Roth! **Kurt Greening** is working in McLean as a federal accounts manager at SMS Data Products. **Alex Elena** works for the TV show "America's Most Wanted." He manages the operators, serves as the liaison between the show and law enforcement and is co-editor of the "Manhunter Newsletter." **Jenny Atkins** works for Duck Head Footwear in the advertising and marketing end of the company. She urges everyone to go to Crismonds in Fredericksburg to check out her shoes! **Susan Layton** works in D.C. as an office manager. **Michelle Cunningham** is a sales rep for Teleglobe International in Tysons Corner.

Many '96ers still call Fredericksburg home. **James Bosley** is working for ABC Temps Inc. **Craig Fear**, **Megan Curry** and **Jenny Rowe** are all still in the 'Burg, as is **Alan Jones**. Alan works in Dahlgren at KPMG-Peat Marwick. **Christopher Perry** sells insurance at GEICO, and **Tom Zachary** is a credit analyst for Union Bank and Trust. **Kristen Dowdy** is an office manager for G. Wine Sales Inc. **Janel Skipwith** and **Kelly Schrock** are roommates in F'burg. Janel works in Quantico and Kelly works at Mary Washington Hospital. **Derek Bottcher** hasn't left either, although his job is working for Legg Mason in D.C. **John Richard**, **Steve Lando** and **Adam Brown** all work at the Naval Surface Warfare Center in Dahlgren. Also working in Dahlgren is **Adam Smith** and **Julie Gerhardt**. Julie lives with **Krystal Fogg**, who works for Bowman. **Geof Hart**, **Mark McClure** and **Carrie Columbia** have all been working in the Admissions Office at MWC. Carrie and **Jeff Campbell** '97 were engaged in August '96.

Working toward higher degrees has also been a goal of many of our friends. **Aubri Charboneau** is at VCU working toward her doctorate. **Shelby Hadfield** and **Rosie Zettler** are enrolled at Catholic U., Shelby in the law school and Rosie in the library and information sciences program. Also working on her master's is **Carlyn Floyd**. While attending GWU, she works at Woodson High School with emotionally disturbed students. **Soo Mun** plans to begin her dental career at MCV this fall. **Rob Strassheim** is working on his master's at Marymount. **Jill Gregory** is working on her master's in education at Dowling U. on Long Island. Joining Jill on Long Island is **Erin McGintee**, who is at Stoneybrook U. in medical school. Also in med school is **Wendy Coling**, who attends Eastern Va. Medical School. **Dave Rushford** is studying law and economics at U.Calif. in Davis. **Crissy Miller** is working on her master's degree at the U.S. Sports Academy. **Joe Porter** is attending grad school at Rutgers, while **Sarah Wilkes** has finished her first year at Penn State. **Sara Bickford** is working on her master's in school psychology at Teachers College, Columbia U. in New York City. **Matt Pirritano** and **Jenn Brown** are both studying psychology, Matt at U. of New Mexico for cognitive psychology and Jenn at Wake Forest for experimental psychology. A fellow psychology major, **Tina Van Puymbroeck** is in a doctoral program in counseling at Arizona State. **Suki Braverman** is at Tufts U. in Boston working toward a master's degree in occupational therapy. **Tory Rendon** is getting her master's in public health at Tulane.

Karey Ford is working on her master's at the Presbyterian School of Christian Education, where she lives next door to **Christine (Syd) Russell** '95. Also at PSCE, **Jon Press** '93 and wife **Tama Eller Press** '94 are the proud parents of their first child. Karey also let me know that **Ronald Hopkins** '95 is at Union Theological Seminar and **Renee Cline** '94 is at Marymount U. studying physical therapy. **Rob Fox** finished his first year at the Baptist Theological Seminary in Richmond. **Anne Larson** is in Boston attending Gordon Conwell Seminary.

Wedding bells are ringing for many of our classmates. **Corrie Henson** was wed in July to **Brendan Kelly** '95; **Tia Johnson** married Tim in 1996; **Brigette Steiniger** was planning an August wedding. Tia, Brigette and **Sarah Moyers** all work at Raytheon E-Systems in Springfield. Both **Rachel Murray** and **Amy Foley** were married last fall, and **Catesby Davis** was planning an autumn '97 wedding to her long-time beau. **Meagan Hennessey** and **Jason Clifford** were to be married in September. Meagan works for Fisher Scientific while Jason works for Historic Boston Inc. in Massachusetts. **Erika Peters Brooke** was married to Merce in June 1996. They are waiting to see where their career searches are going to take them. **Richard Dayton** and **Alison Ringwall** '95 are married and find themselves in Richmond. Richard works for Albright & Wilson Americas, a major world-wide chemical company. **Dana Birkholz** and **Lowell Whitney** '95 were married in April and live in Springfield, Ore., where Lowell is in grad school and Dana is a morning news anchor and reporter for KPIC TV. **Adriana Rissetto** is at U.Va. working

on her master's in American studies and is engaged to **Johnny Puckett** '95. **Amy Mann** is engaged and pursuing her athletic training certification at William & Mary. **Nancy McClain** is now engaged to **Stewart Gill** '95. Along with getting married, **Erin Kormann** is working at Cancer Institute in New York City and going to John Jay for forensic psychology. **Jeanne Floyd** and **Jim Snyder** are married and live in Indiana. **Lara Corcoran** and **Rich Moncrief** '95 were planning a wedding for this fall. **Jen Groves Fisher** is attending Salisbury State U. and married Will in August. **Alexa Cross Holzwarth** is working while her husband, Seth, finishes school. They will then travel wherever Young Life takes them. **Anne Brock** and her fiancé, **Rick Chlebos** '97, moved to Illinois after Rick's graduation and are planning a May '98 wedding.

As for me, I am half way through my master's program at Marymount and am working full time at Kilmer Middle School in Vienna. Thank you all for writing and letting me know what is up! I loved receiving all your mail! Keep the news coming, and let me know about any changes.

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IN MEMORIAM

We extend our sympathies to the families and friends of the deceased.

Ruby Brooking '19
Eleanora Haynie Porter '20
Keith Sinclair King '21
A. Elizabeth Morrison '26
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Doris O'Brien Dingeldein '39
Kathryn Taylor Norsworthy '39
Elsie Dunn Ellis '40
Ruth Cheshire Kleine '40
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Mildred Whitaker Sturgeon '42
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Anne Marshall Morgan '44
Beverly Munn Nessell '44
Dorothy Beale '45
Irene Albro Bates '47
Margueritte Coffigon Jennings '47
Leona Hall Howard '49
Patsy McKee Rogers '49
Eleanor Duke '52
Carolyn Tibbetts Anderson '58

Julien Binford, professor emeritus of art
Mildred McGinnis, Seacobeck Dining Hall Hostess
Selma Shelton, Seacobeck Dining Hall Hostess

The College has recently learned of the death in 1995 of a former member of the history faculty, Bernard Neal Klenke. At MWC during the late 1960s and early 1970s, Mr. Klenke taught courses primarily in European history, and was especially known for his extensive knowledge of, and devotion to, the arts, notably opera and classical music. He was a resident of Arlington, Va., at the time of his death.

CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to those who have recently lost loved ones.

Irene Lundy Brown '39, who lost her husband
Jean DeShaso Flemer '44, who lost her husband
Mary Anne Meyer Woody '44, who lost her son
Margueritte Coffigon Jennings '47, who lost her husband
Mary Ann Godsey Little '49, who lost her husband
Martha Carr Huddleston '50, who lost her mother
Jane Scott Marks '50, who lost her husband
Betty Gavett Breeden '50, who lost her sister
Ruth Ann Taylor Bott '52, who lost her husband
Jaquelin Davis Roberts '52, who lost her husband
Garnette Bell Crawford '53, who lost her mother
Eleanor Pollock '55, who lost her mother
Mary Karen Vellines '70, who lost her father
Deborah White Orsi '70, who lost her father
Patti Showalter Lisk '76, who lost her daughters
Ellen Cocke Stanley '81, who lost her grandmother
Jacqueline Lane Rice '83, who lost her mother
Sharon Robertson Williamson '83, who lost her father
Brent Davis '86, who lost his father

Joseph C. Vance, professor emeritus of history, who lost his wife

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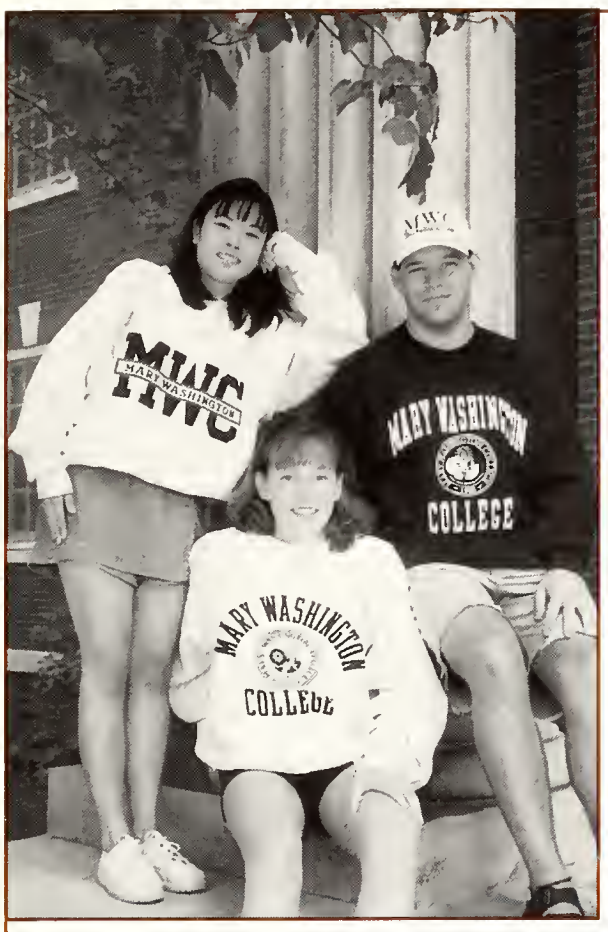

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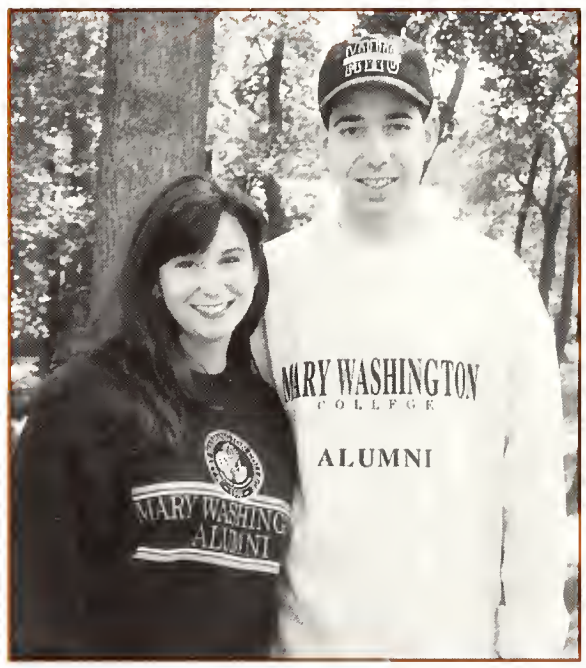

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